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ANNUAL REPORT

Of the

Town Officers

Of

Francestown, N.H.

For The Year Ending December 31, 2002

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FRANCESTOWN TOWN OFFICERS
MODERATOR

Paul H. Lawrence - Appointed	Term Expires 2003
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SELECTMEN

Elizabeth M. Behrsing - Appointed	Term Expires 2003
O. Alan Thulander - Resigned	Term Expires 2003
Paul A. St. Cyr	Term Expires 2004
“Steve” Brown	Term Expires 2005

TOWN TREASURER

Karen M. Mayo	Term Expires 2005
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TOWN CLERK

Elaine T. McClary	Term Expires 2005
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TAX COLLECTOR

Elaine T. McClary	Term Expires 2005
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LIBRARY TRUSTEES

“Judy” Danforth	Term Expires 2003
Constance C. Varnum	Term Expires 2004
Mary Frances Carey	Term Expires 2005

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

David Avery	Term Expires 2003
Louis Wiederhold	Term Expires 2004
Herbert Fincher	Term Expires 2005

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATOR

Barbara J. Carbee	Term Expires 2003
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SUPERVISOR OF CHECKLIST

Helen Johnston	Term Expires 2004
Bernice E. Miller, Chairman	Term Expires 2006
Carol Ireland	Term Expires 2008

CEMETERY COMMISSION

Linda Kelly	Term Expires 2003
Elizabeth Wiederhold - Appointed	Term Expires 2003
Ethel MacStubbs	Term Expires 2004
O. Alan Thulander - Resigned	Term Expires 2005

FIRE WARDS

Donald C. Abbott	Term Expires 2003
Brian Delahanty	Term Expires 2003
David Kullgren	Term Expires 2003
Richard F. Leavitt	Term Expires 2003

Alvin L. VanCleave

Term Expires 2003

PLANNING BOARD

Sandra L. Ellis – Resigned

Term Expires 2003

Lisa Stewart

Term Expires 2003

Peter Zahn

Term Expires 2003

Robert Lindgren

Term Expires 2004

Paul A. St. Cyr, Ex-officio

Term Expires 2004

Benjamin Watson (Chairman)

Term Expires 2004

William McAuley

Term Expires 2005

Sarah Hibbard Pyle

Term Expires 2005

Alternates Appointed by Planning Board

Lawrence W. Johnson

Term Expires 2003

Michael O'Neil - Resigned

Term Expires 2003

Catherine Eby

Term Expires 2004

Robin Samuelson

Term Expires 2005

CONVAL SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS:

Peter Hopkins, Moderator

Term Expires 2003

“Andy Paul, School Board Member

Term Expires 2005

APPOINTMENTS by Selectmen:

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Richard Kiczek

Term Expires 2003

Guy A. Swenson, Jr., Chairman

Term Expires 2003

Carol Ireland

Term Expires 2004

Joszeff Nemeth

Term Expires 2005

Charles Pyle

Term Expires 2005

Alternates:

Abigail Arnold

Term Expires 2003

Herbert Fincher

Term Expires 2003

David M. Stewart

Term Expires 2004

Lois Leavitt

Term Expires 2005

WASTE DISPOSAL COMMISSION

Raymond Fauchon

Term Expires 2003

Gary L. Collins, Chairman

Term Expires 2004

Scott S. Carbee

Term Expires 2005

BUDGET & ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Michael J. Ricci

Term Expires 2003

Nicholas F. Wilder

Term Expires 2003

Michael J. Petrovick

Term Expires 2004

Charles Pyle

Term Expires 2004

Charles O'Neill

Term Expires 2005

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Don Crooker

Term Expires 2003

Christopher K. Danforth

Term Expires 2003

Betsy Hardwick, Chairman	Term Expires 2004
Lawrence P. Kullgren	Term Expires 2004
Barbara J. Carbee	Term Expires 2005
Robert C. Lindgren	Term Expires 2005
David Shuffleton	Term Expires 2005

Alternates:

Ronald Reimer	Term Expires 2003
Donald Shuffleton	Term Expires 2004
Polly Freese	Term Expires 2005

BOARD OF HIGHWAY SAFETY

Scott S. Carbee	Term Expires 2003
Paul V. Ellis, Chairman	Term Expires 2003
Betsy Hardwick	Term Expires 2003

RECREATION COMMISSION

James Nealand	Term Expires 2003
Kris Stewart	Term Expires 2003
Andrej Kokal	Term Expires 2004
Robert Rokes	Term Expires 2004

Alternates:

Lisa J. Stewart	Term Expires 2003
Stephanie Kokal	Term Expires 2004

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Lori J. Ricci

DEPUTY TOWN TREASURER

Randall S. Wheeler

DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR

Kathi Kendall

DEPUTY TOWN CLERK

Kathi Kendall

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

Thomas J. Plourde

BUILDING & SITE INSPECTOR

Joseph Ludwig

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

Donald C. Abbott

HEALTH OFFICER

Louis Wiederhold, MD

POLICE OFFICERS

Phillip J. Woodbury, Chief
Thomas J. Thibeault, Sergeant
Matthew Wingren, Officer
Jonathan Alan Nightingale, Officer
Kevin F. Valenti, Officer
Aaron B. Bequeath, Officer

DIRECTOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

O. Alan Thulander – Resigned
Paul A. St. Cyr

HISTORIAN

Kris Holmes

BALLOT CLERKS

Barbara J. Carbee, Shirley Jones, Sarah Hibbard Pyle, Dolores Sanchioni, Karen Anne St. Cyr, Gordon Sherman, Mary Tempone, Joan VanCleave

STATE REPRESENTATIVES

Pierre Bruno
O. Alan Thulander

STATE SENATOR

Robert B. Flanders

**TOWN WARRANT
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Francestown, in said County of Hillsborough, in said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the “Red School” in said Francestown on Tuesday, the eleventh day of March next, at 10:00 o’clock in the forenoon to act upon the subjects hereinafter set forth. The voting on Article 1 will be by official ballot, and the polls shall be open for balloting on said date at 10:00 o’clock in the forenoon and shall not close before 7:00 o’clock in the evening.

Article 1.

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.
(By Official Ballot)

Pursuant to RSA 39:2a and the vote of the Annual Town Meeting in 1979, you are hereby notified the second session of the annual meeting of the Town of Francestown will be held at the Town Hall on Saturday, the Fifteenth day of March next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, at which time the town will act on the following subjects.

Article 2.

To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and to make appropriations for the same.

Article 3.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$80,500.00) to be placed in the Capital Reserve Accounts, to be allocated as follows:

Future Replacement of Fire Trucks	\$50,000.00
Future Replacement of Fire Dept. Radios	500.00
Future Replacement or Purchase of Hwy. Equip.	0.00
Future Replacement of Police Cruiser	20,000.00
Future Reappraisal of Real Estate	0.00
Future Purchase or Improvement of Recreation Lands	0.00
Future Town Building Improvements/Acquisition	0.00
Future Town Road Improvements	0.00
Future Improvement of Cemetery	0.00
Future Library Building	10,000.00

or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (3-0) recommend this appropriation.

Article 4.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9,000.00) to purchase and install 2 air conditioning units in the administrative offices of the Town Office Building (Red School), such sum to be raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (3-0) recommend this appropriation.

Article 5.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) for the replacement of a 6 wheel dump truck and a 4 wheel-drive vehicle, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) from the Capital Reserve account entitled "Purchase of Road Equipment", or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (3-0) recommend this appropriation.

Article 6.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$275,000.00) to complete the construction of the new highway garage and fire suppression pond, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) from the undesignated General Fund balance and One Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$175,000.00) to raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (3-0) recommend this appropriation.

Article 7.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9,000.00) to repair and/or replace the lights at the tennis courts, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9,000.00) from the Capital Reserve account entitled "Purchase of Recreation Lands and Recreation Improvements", or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (3-0) recommend this appropriation.

Article 8.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) to construct a swimming platform and shed at the Town beach, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) from the Capital Reserve account entitled "Purchase of Recreation Lands and Recreation Improvements", or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (3-0) recommend this appropriation.

Article 9.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Six Thousand Dollars (\$26,000.00) for the purchase and fit-up of a 2003 Police sedan, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of Twenty-Six Thousand Dollars (\$26,000.00) from the Capital Reserve account entitled "Replacement of Police Cruiser", or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (3-0) recommend this appropriation.

Article 10.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$7,950.00) to repair the rust on 37M-1(1st line pumper), such sum to be funded by a gift of Four Thousand Dollars (4,000.00) from the Mount Crotchet Firefighters Association and the balance of Three Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Dollars (3,950.00) to be raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (3-0) recommend this appropriation.

Article 11.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Two Hundred and Forty-eight Dollars (\$6,248.00) to replace 10 outdated SCBA air tanks, such sum to be raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (3-0) recommend this appropriation.

Article 12.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand One Hundred Eighty Five Dollars (\$10,185.00) to purchase 3 new SCBA air packs, such sum to be raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (3-0) recommend this appropriation.

Article 13.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$70,000.00) to be placed in the Conservation Fund as authorized by RSA 36-A-5, or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (3-0) recommend this appropriation.

Article 14.

To see if the Town will vote to annex a 45 to 50 acre portion of the 193 acre town-owned parcel of land known as Tax Map 7 Lot 3-1 and the 1.4 acre lot purchased by the Conservation Commission in 2002 known as Tax Map 4 Lot 3 to the 1 acre Town Forest located on the top of Crotched Mountain (the old fire tower site), or take any other action thereto;

Article 15.

To see if the Town will vote to convey an Executory Interest to the State of New Hampshire through LCHIP authority on any property purchased by the town using LCHIP funds, or take any other action relating thereto;

Article 16.

To see if the Town will vote to allow a conservation easement for the purpose of protecting open space to be placed on town-owned parcels of land to include portions only of (Map 7 Lot 3-1), (Map 7 Lot 6) (formerly part of the ski area land), and to include all town owned lots (Map 8 Lot 76) and (Map 8 Lot 71) located off County Rd. North, with provisions on the former ski area parcels (Map 7 Lot 3-1 and Map 7 Lot 6) to allow for future development as a commercial ski area and passive recreational use, allowing the Conservation Commission discretion with the wording and holder of the easement subject to approval of a majority of the selectmen, or take any other action relating thereto;

Article 17.

To see if the Town will vote to change the current designation of the portion of Driscoll Hill Road beginning at Birdsall Road and ending where it intersects at Old Highway Road as depicted on tax assessor Map 2 from a class six road to be reclassified as a class A trail as allowed by RSA 231-A:1, or take any other action relating thereto;

Article 18.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Seventy -Five Thousand Dollars (\$175,000.00) to upgrade the sidewalks to be installed by the State of NH during the "Main Street Reconstruction" project from black top (at no additional cost) to concrete pavers or brick, such sum to be raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (3-0) do not recommend this appropriation.

Article 19.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to lease 31+/- acres (Map 7, Lot 6) to Crotched Mountain Properties, LLC., for the purpose of installing 2 summit ski towers and providing interconnecting ski trails per the Lease Agreement.

Article 20.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty-Six Thousand Six Hundred and Sixty-Eight Dollars (\$66,668.00) to pay for the grading and filling of the southern addition of Cemetery #3, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of Forty Two Thousand, One Hundred Dollars (\$42,100.00) from the Capital Reserve account entitled "Improvement of Cemetery", and Twenty Four Thousand, Five Hundred Sixty Eight Dollars (\$24,568.00) to raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;

The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee (3-0) do not recommend this appropriation.

Article 21.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighteen Thousand Dollars (\$18,000.00) to excavate and install a fire pond on Todd Road for on-site fire suppression and to have water under electrical pump pressure for the Town Transfer Station, such sum to be raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;

A majority of the Selectmen (2-1) do not recommend and the Budget Advisory Committee (3-0) do not recommend this appropriation.

Article 22. (By Petition)

To see if the Town will direct the Library Trustees to schedule, with adequate public notice, at least three public meetings providing detailed information concerning any and all plans for construction of a second Library Building or expansion of the George Holmes Bixby Memorial Library. Such meetings are to be held prior to December 31, 2003.

To further direct the Library Trustees to make sincere and conscientious efforts to consider viable alternative sites for any additional Library building and, for each site considered, present their findings and recommendations concerning its advantages and disadvantages for a Library construction project.

To further direct the Library Trustees to include in their initial public meeting a comprehensive and detailed review of their "mission statement" or vision for the Library. This mission statement is to include discussion of anticipated future uses of the Library as they may affect space requirements.

Public meetings are also to include presentation of:

1. Detailed reports on the median and average number of books and periodicals borrowed by Town residents and projections for changes in volume in the future.
2. A review of social and other activities sponsored or promoted by the Library and a discussion of any contemplated plans for the use of Library facilities for such purposes in the future.

3. An evaluation of other public facilities in Francestown for use for functions and activities not directly related to the lending of books and periodicals.
4. Projected construction, maintenance, staffing and other costs of any building project, whether to paid by the Town or otherwise.
5. Comparison of the size of any proposed building with all other Town – owned buildings and with private buildings in the Village District, and with the public Libraries of other towns of comparable population in Hillsborough County.
6. For any contemplated construction project, the amount of space to be allocated to (1) the display of books and periodicals for Library patrons; (2) computers for the use of Library patrons; (3) storage; (4) reading; (5) offices and/or workspace for Library employees; (6) social activities and events; (7) unspecified future use.
7. Availability of parking for Library patrons on any sites considered for a new Library building.

Article 23. (By Petition)

To see if the Town will direct its Selectmen to apply for grant and/or other monies to pay for the restoration and refurbishing of our historic Town Hall.

Article 24. (By Petition)

To see if the Town will direct its Selectmen to pursue the objectives of the Town Common Project to reduce the amount of paved areas, increase the amount of green areas, and remove or relocate the overhead utility wires in the Francestown Town Common.

Article 25. (By Petition)

Whereas, New Hampshire residents pay the 12th highest cost of insurance in the country; and

Whereas, the cost of health insurance premiums for families has increased by 45% over the past three years; and

Whereas, 100,000 New Hampshire residents have no health coverage and 77% of them have a full-time worker at home; and

Whereas, due to these rising costs almost half of New Hampshire's small businesses cannot afford health coverage for their employees, therefore be it resolved

That we, the citizens of Francestown, New Hampshire, call on our elected officials from all levels of government, and those seeking office, to work with consumers, businesses, and health care providers to ensure that:

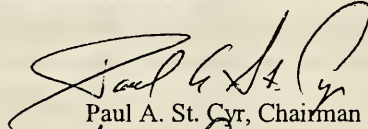
- Everyone, including the self-employed, unemployed, un-and underinsured, and small business owners has access to an affordable basic health plan similar to what federal employees receive;

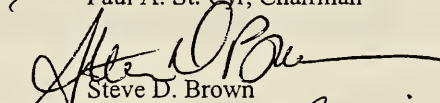
- Everyone, including employers, consumers, and the state, local and federal government makes a responsible and fair contribution to finance the health care system;
- Everyone receives high quality care that is cost efficient and medically effective; and
- That these efforts help control the skyrocketing cost of health care.

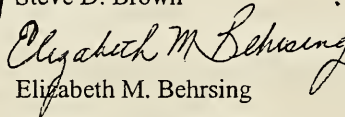
Article 26.

To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting;

Given under our hands and seal this 5th day of February, in the year or our Lord, two thousand three.

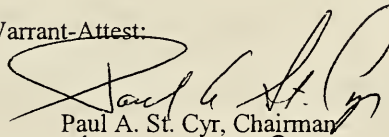

Paul A. St. Cyr, Chairman


Steve D. Brown

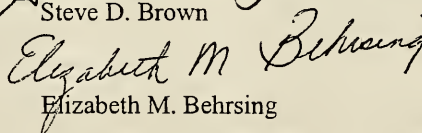

Elizabeth M. Behrsing

Selectmen of Francestown

A true copy of Warrant-Attest:


Paul A. St. Cyr, Chairman


Steve D. Brown


Elizabeth M. Behrsing

Selectmen of Francestown

BUDGET OF THE TOWN/CITY

OF: Franeestown

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2003 to December 31, 2003

or Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

IMPORTANT:

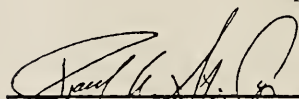
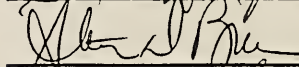
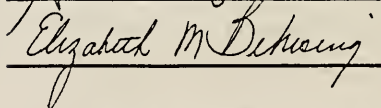
Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the entire budget in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below.

This is to certify that this budget was posted with the warrant on the (date) February 6, 2003

GOVERNING BODY (SELECTMEN)

Please sign in ink.

Paul A. St. Cyr, Chairman

Steve D. Brown

Elizabeth M. Behrsing

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
 COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION
 MUNICIPAL FINANCE BUREAU
 P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
 (603)271-3397

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive		34,303	34,353	48,974	
4140-4149	Election,Reg & Vital Statistics		28,809	29,729	29,500	
4150-4151	Financial Administration		24,877	25,496	29,037	
4152	Revaluation of Property		6,100	2,284	5,050	
4153	Legal Expense		7,500	6,582	7,500	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration		71,765	83,204	105,238	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning		20,528	9,694	18,473	
4194	General Government Buildings		43,205	28,325	34,709	
4195	Cemetenes		10,283	6,742	18,333	
4196	Insurance		24,000	18,125	30,000	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.		1,000	985	1,050	
4199	Other General Government					
PUBLIC SAFETY			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4210-4214	Police		75,100	80,199	111,864	
4215-4219	Ambulance		1,500	0	1,000	
4220-4229	Fire		32,850	32,809	35,150	
4240-4249	Building Inspection		2,000	1,585	2,000	
4290-4298	Emergency Management		800	534	800	
4299	Other (Incl. Communications)					
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4301-4309	Airport Operations					
HIGHWAYS & STREETS			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4311	Administration		69,775	80,246	69,000	
4312	Highways & Streets		229,500	220,488	232,385	
4313	Bridges		10,000	4,121	10,000	
4316	Street Lighting		4,000	3,269	3,500	
4319	Other <i>GRAVEL Reseal/Patch</i>		<i>20,000 60,000</i>	<i>18,750 55,164</i>	<i>20,000 63,000</i>	
SANITATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4321	Administration					
4323	Solid Waste Collection					
4324	Solid Waste Disposal		127,176	126,480	136,519	
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up					
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other		2,700	4,004	2,300	

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WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4331	Administration					
4332	Water Services					
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv.& Other					
ELECTRIC			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation					
4353	Purchase Costs					
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance					
4359	Other Electric Costs					
HEALTH			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4411	Administration					
4414	Pest Control					
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other		3,228	3,228	3,511	
WELFARE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.		7,500	10,811	10,525	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts					
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other					
CULTURE & RECREATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		26,325	27,358	30,375	
4550-4559	Library		53,057	48,712	54,685	
4583	Patriotic Purposes					
4589	Other Culture & Recreation					
CONSERVATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4611-4612	Admin.& Purch. of Nat. Resources		1,250	934	1,700	
4619	Other Conservation					
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING					
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT					
DEBT SERVICE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes					
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes					
4723	Int.L on Tax Anticipation Notes		2,500	0	2,500	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service					

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
CAPITAL OUTLAY			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4901	Land	5 15	127,950	90,150	70,000	
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment	6 8 10 10	44,430	42,385	65,383	
4903	Buildings	9 11	409,000	168,844	284,000	
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.	4	5,124	5,124	271,668	
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4912	To Special Revenue Fund					
4913	To Capital Projects Fund					
4914	To Enterprise Fund					
	Sewer-					
	Water-					
	Electric-					
	Airport-					
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund		128,002	128,002	80,500	
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917					
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds					
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds					
4919	To Agency Funds					
SUBTOTAL 1			1,716,137	1,398,716	1,890,229	

If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total for the ensuing year.

Acct. #	Warr. Art. #	Amount	Acct. #	Warr. Art. #	Amount
4901	13	70,000	4903	4	9,000
4902	5	15,000		6	275,000
	9	26,000	4909	7	9,000
	10	7,950		8	3,000
	11	6,248		18	175,000
	12	10,185		20	66,668
				21	18,000

1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
TAXES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes		3,000	6,776	3,000
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Timber Taxes		15,000	14,226	10,000
3186	Payment In Lieu of Taxes				
3189	Other Taxes		25,000	42,750	25,000
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes				
	Inventory Penalties				
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)		100	319	100
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		180,000	257,056	190,000
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		1,000	1,875	1,000
3230	Building Permits		7,000	7,540	7,000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees				
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT				
FROM STATE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		20,000	21,333	20,000
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		35,000	43,354	35,000
3353	Highway Block Grant		65,000	76,051	81,000
3354	Water Pollution Grant				
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement				
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		0	5,187	0
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS		0	45	0
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments		8,000	17,900	10,000
3409	Other Charges				
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		0	2,565	0
3502	Interest on Investments			8,700	0
3503-3509	Other		7,000	7,000	4,000

1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN			xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx
3912	From Special Revenue Funds				
3913	From Capital Projects Funds				
3914	From Enterprise Funds				
	Sewer - (Offset)				
	Water - (Offset)				
	Electric - (Offset)				
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds		257,000	214,172	265,100
3916	From Trust & Agency Funds				
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes				
Amount VOTED From FIB ("Surplus")			139,000	139,000	100,000
Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes				134,700	
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS			762,100	1,000,549	751,200

****BUDGET SUMMARY****

	Prior Year	Ensuing Year
SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended (from page 4)	1,716,137	1,890,229
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)		
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)		
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	1,716,137	1,890,229
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	762,100	751,200
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	954,037	1,139,029

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

To begin, one would have to say this year has been a real challenge. Very little has gone according to plan, and much that needed to be accomplished took additional time and effort to either complete or moving in the right direction.

We definitely need to thank all who volunteered this year for their assistance and support, and especially to Betty Behrsing for completing the remainder of Alan's term as Selectman. Her expertise and knowledge has been a great asset, particularly during a difficult period.

Although there have been challenges, we have moved forward and made significant strides.

The Town Office computer system has been upgraded and we hope to be on-line this coming year.

The property revaluation is approximately 80% complete and will be finalized for next years 2nd tax bill.

The Police Department has their in car video system installed and operational.

The Highway Department purchased a new road rake, a used pickup and 10-wheel dump truck.

The Fire Department upgraded their defibrillator/monitor and made the needed repairs to the Fire House.

Construction of the Highway Garage began in December and the building should be standing by the March Town Meeting. All bids to complete the Highway Barn were well beyond expectations and the project had to be scaled back to keep within the dollar amount passed at the special Town Meeting. An article to complete the project will be presented for consideration at the next Town Meeting.

A special thank you to both Alan Thulander and Sgt. Tom Thibeault for their many years of dedicated service to the Town. Both will be greatly missed.

Finally, many thanks, again, to all who volunteer their time and services. Your dedication, expertise, and support are greatly appreciated by this Office as well as by the citizens of Francestown. Volunteerism is the foundation of our community and without it, we could not continue to make the impact or achieve the results expected of our special and unique community.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul A. St. Cyr, Chairman, Steve D. Brown, Elizabeth Behrsing

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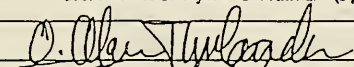
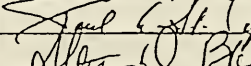
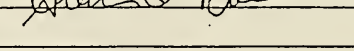
SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

Form MS-1 for 2002

CITY/TOWN of FRANCESTOWN IN HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the information provided in this report was taken from the official records and is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief. RSA 21-J:34

PRINT NAMES OF city/town OFFICIALS	SIGNATURES OF city/town OFFICIALS* (Sign in ink)
O. Alan Thulander	
Paul A. St. Cyr	
Steve D. Brown	

Date Signed: 8/19/02

*Check One: Selectmen ☒ Assessors ☐

City/Town TELEPHONE # 547-3469

Due Date: September 1, 2002

Complete the above required certification by inserting the name of the city/town officials, the date on which the certificate is signed, and have the majority of the members of the board of selectmen/assessing officials sign in ink (RSA 41:15 & Rev. Rule 105.02).

REPORTS REQUIRED: RSA 21-J:34 as amended, provides for certification of valuations, appropriations, estimated revenues and such other information as the Department of Revenue Administration may require upon forms prescribed for that purpose.

NOTE: The values and figures provided represent the detailed values that are used in the city/town tax assessments and sworn to uphold under Oath per RSA 75:7. Please complete all applicable pages and refer to the instructions (pages 9 thru 12) provided for individual items.

FORM MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE DRA NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 1st TO AVOID LATE FILING PENALTIES. (RSA 21-J:34 & 36.)

RETURN THIS SIGNED AND COMPLETED INVENTORY FORM TO: NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION, COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION, MUNICIPAL FINANCE BUREAU, PO BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487.

Contact Person: O. ALAN THULANDER, CHAIR
(Print/type)

Note office hours: MON-THUR 8 AM - NOON

See instructions beginning on page 9 of this set as needed.

LAND BUILDINGS	Lines 1 A, B, C, D, & E List all improved and unimproved land - include wells, septic & paving. Lines 2 A, B, & C List all buildings.	NUMBER OF ACRES	2002 ASSESSED VALUATION By CITY/TOWN
1. VALUE OF LAND ONLY - Exclude Amount Listed in Lines 3A, 3B & 4 A. Current Use (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-A (See Instruction # 1)		13475.276	\$ 1,361,437
B. Conservation Restriction Assessment (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-B			
C. Discretionary Easement RSA 79-C		0	0
D. Residential Land (Improved and Unimproved Land)		3891.184	\$ 26,652,000
E. Commercial/Industrial Land (DO NOT include Public Utility Land)		100.024	\$ 464,300
F. Total of Taxable Land (Sum of Lines 1A + 1B + 1C + 1D + 1E)		17466.484	\$ 28,477,737
G. Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Land (\$ 1,716,800)		1204.223	

2. VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY - Exclude Amounts Listed on Lines 3A & 3B	\$ 63,842,700
A. Residential	
B. Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674:31	\$ 276,400
C. Commercial/Industrial (DO NOT Include Public Utility Buildings)	\$ 2,334,300
D. Total of Taxable Buildings (Sum of lines 2A + 2B + 2C)	\$ 66,453,400
E. Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable (\$ 4,138,000)	

3. PUBLIC UTILITIES - (see RSA 83-F:1 V for complete definition)	\$ 1,297,900
A. Public Utilities (Real estate/buildings/structures/machinery/dynamos/apparatus/poles/wires/fixtures of all kinds and descriptions/pipelines etc.)	
B. Other Public Utilities (Total of Section B from Utility Summary)	0

4. MATURE WOOD and TIMBER RSA 79:5	
5. VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS (Total of Lines 1F + 2D + 3A + 3B + 4) This figure represents the gross sum of all taxable property in your municipality.	\$ 96,229,037
6. Certain Disabled Veterans (Paraplegic and Double Amputees Owning Specially Adapted Homesteads with V.A Assistance) RSA 72:36 - a Total # <input type="text" value="0"/> granted	0
7. Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities RSA 72:37 - a Total # <input type="text" value="0"/> granted	0
8. School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:33 IV (Standard Exemption Up To \$150,000 for each) (See Instruction # 2) Total # <input type="text" value="0"/> granted	0
9. Water and Air Pollution Control Exemptions RSA 72:12 - a Total # <input type="text" value="0"/> granted	0

10. MODIFIED ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL PROPERTIES (Sum of Line 5 minus Lines 6, 7, 8, & 9) This figure will be used for calculating the total equalized value of your municipality.		\$ 96,229,037
11. Blind Exemption RSA 72:37	Total # <input type="text" value="1"/> granted Amount granted per exemption \$ 15,000	\$ 15,000
12. Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39-a & b	Total # <input type="text" value="4"/> granted	\$ 217,000
13. Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b	Total # <input type="text" value="0"/> granted Amount granted per exemption \$ 1,000	0
14. Wood-Heating Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:70	Total # <input type="text" value="0"/> granted	0
15. Solar Energy Exemption RSA 72:62	Total # <input type="text" value="0"/> granted	0
16. Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:66	Total # <input type="text" value="0"/> granted	0
17. Additional School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:23 IV (Amounts in excess of \$150,000 exemption)	Total # <input type="text" value="0"/> granted	0
18. TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT OF EXEMPTIONS (Sum of Lines 11 thru 17)		\$ 232,000
19. NET VALUATION ON WHICH THE TAX RATE FOR MUNICIPAL, COUNTY & LOCAL EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED (Line 10 minus Line 18)		\$ 95,997,037
20. <u>Less</u> Public Utilities (Line 3A) DO NOT include the value of OTHER public utilities listed in Line 3B.		\$ 1,297,900
21. NET VALUATION WITHOUT UTILITIES ON WHICH TAX RATE FOR STATE EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED (Line 19 minus Line 20)		\$ 94,699,137

UTILITY SUMMARY: ELECTRIC, GAS, OIL & PIPELINE, WATER & SEWER RSA 83-F

List by individual company/legal entity the valuation of operating plants employed in the production, distribution and transmission of electricity, gas pipeline, water and petroleum products. Include ONLY the names of the companies listed on the Instruction Sheets. (See Instruction # 3)

SECTION A: LIST ELECTRIC COMPANIES, GENERATING PLANTS, ETC. (Attach additional sheet if needed.) (See Instruction # 4)		2002 VALUATION
PUBLIC SERVICE CO. OF NH		\$ 1,277,900
A1. TOTAL OF ALL ELECTRIC COMPANIES LISTED IN THIS SECTION (See Instruction #4 for the names of the limited number of companies)		\$ 1,277,900

GAS, OIL & PIPELINE COMPANIES		
A2. TOTAL OF ALL GAS, OIL & PIPELINE COMPANIES LISTED (See Instruction #4 for the names of the limited number of companies)		0

WATER COMPANIES		
FRANCESTOWN VILLAGE WATER CO		\$ 20,000
A3. TOTAL OF ALL WATER & SEWER COMPANIES LISTED (See Instruction #4 for the names of the limited number of companies)		\$ 20,000

GRAND TOTAL VALUATION OF ALL A UTILITY COMPANIES. (Sum of Lines A1, A2, and A3) This grand total of all sections must agree with the total listed on page 2, line 3A.	\$ 1,297,900
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SECTION B: LIST OTHER UTILITY COMPANIES (Exclude telephone companies). (Attach additional sheet if needed.) (See Instruction # 5)		2002 VALUATION
TOTAL OF ALL OTHER COMPANIES LISTED IN THIS SECTION B. (See Instruction #5 for the names of the limited number of companies)		0

TAX CREDITS	LIMITS	NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS	ESTIMATED TAX CREDITS
Totally and permanently disabled veterans, their spouses or widows, and the widows of veterans who died or were killed on active duty. RSA 72:35	\$700 / \$1,400	0	0
Other war service credits. RSA 72:28	\$50 / \$100	77	\$ 3,850
TOTAL NUMBER AND AMOUNT		77	\$ 3,850

TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRICTS RSA 162-K (See page 11 for instructions)	TIF#1	TIF#2	TIF#3	TIF#4
Date of Adoption				
Original assessed value	\$	\$	\$	\$
+ Unretained captured assessed value	\$	\$	\$	\$
= Amounts used on page 2 (tax rates)	\$	\$	\$	\$
+ Retained captured assessed value	\$	\$	\$	\$
Current assessed value	\$	\$	\$	\$

LIST REVENUES RECEIVED FROM PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES <i>Amounts listed below should not be included in assessed valuation column on page 2.</i>	MUNICIPALITY	LIST SOURCE(S) OF PAYMENT In Lieu of Taxes
State and Federal Forest Land, Recreation, and/or Flood Control Land from MS-4, acct. 3356 & 3357	\$	
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$	
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$	
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$	
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$	
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$	
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$	
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$	
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$	
Totals of account 3186	\$	

ELDERLY EXEMPTION REPORT - RSA 72:39-a

NO. OF FIRST TIME FILERS GRANTED ELDERLY EXEMPTION FOR CURRENT YEAR		PER AGE CATEGORY	TOTAL NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS GRANTED AN ELDERLY EXEMPTION FOR THE CURRENT YEAR & TOTAL AMOUNT OF EXEMPTION GRANTED			
AGE	#	AMOUNT PER INDIVIDUAL	AGE	#	MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE EXEMPTION AMOUNT	TOTAL ACTUAL EXEMPTION AMOUNT
65 - 74	0	\$ 40,000	65 - 74	1	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000
75 - 79	0	\$ 40,000	75 - 79	1	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000
80 +	0	\$ 80,000	80 +	2	\$ 80,000	\$ 137,000
			TOTAL	4		\$ 217,000

CURRENT USE REPORT - RSA 79-A

	TOTAL NO. ACRES RECEIVING CURRENT USE ASSESSMENT	ASSESSED VALUATION	OTHER CURRENT USE STATISTICS	TOTAL NO. OF ACRES
FARM LAND	784.966	\$ 232,359	RECEIVING 20% RECREATION ADJUSTMENT	3,210.666
FOREST LAND	9,956.100	\$ 1,019,502	REMOVED FROM CURRENT USE DURING CURRENT YEAR	8.73
FOREST LAND with DOCUMENTED STEWARDSHIP	1,621.670	\$ 96,804		
UNPRODUCTIVE LAND	74.870	\$ 906		
WETLAND	1,037.670	\$ 11,866	TOTAL NO. OF OWNERS IN C.U.	290
TOTAL	13,475.276	\$ 1,361,437	TOTAL NO. OF PARCELS IN C.U.	433
Must match page 2				

CONSERVATION RESTRICTION ASSESSMENT REPORT - RSA 79-B

	TOTAL NO. ACRES RECEIVING CONS. RES. ASSESSMENTS	ASSESSED VALUATION	OTHER CONSERVATION RESTRICTION ASSESSMENT STATISTICS	TOTAL NO. OF ACRES
FARM LAND		\$	RECEIVING 20% RECREATION ADJUSTMENT	
FOREST LAND		\$	REMOVED FROM CONSERVATION RESTRICTION DURING CURRENT YEAR	
FOREST LAND with DOCUMENTED STEWARDSHIP		\$		
UNPRODUCTIVE LAND		\$		
WETLAND		\$	TOTAL NO. OF OWNERS IN CONSERVATION RESTRICTION	
TOTAL		\$	TOTAL NO. OF PARCELS IN CONSERVATION RESTRICTION	
Must match page 2				

DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS - RSA 79-C

TOTAL NO. OF ACRES IN DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS	TOTAL NO. OF OWNERS GRANTED DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS	DESCRIPTION OF DISCRETIONARY EASEMENT GRANTED: (i.e.: Golf Course, Ball Park, Race Track, etc.)
0	0	1.
		2.
		3.
		4.

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**REPORT OF APPROPRIATIONS
ACTUALLY VOTED**

(RSA 21-J:34)

DATE OF MEETING: May 4, 2002

Town/City Of: Francestown County: Hillsborough

Mailing Address: PO Box 5, Francestown, N.H. 03043

Phone #: 547-3469 Fax #: 547-2818 E-Mail: _____

CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATIONS VOTED
(To Be Completed After Annual or Special Meeting)

This is to certify that the information contained in this form, appropriations actually voted by the town/city meeting, was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

GOVERNING BODY (SELECTMEN)

Please sign in ink.

O. Man Thuland
Paul B. H. [unclear]
Al [unclear]

Penalty: Failure to file within 20 days after each meeting at which appropriations were voted may result in a \$5.00 per day penalty for each day's delay (RSA 21-J:36).

1	2	3	4	5
Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations As Voted	For Use By Department of Revenue Administration
GENERAL GOVERNMENT		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
4130-4139	Executive		34,303	
4140-4149	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics		28,809	
4150-4151	Financial Administration		24,877	
4152	Revaluation of Property		6,100	
4153	Legal Expense		7,500	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration		71,765	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning		20,528	
4194	General Government Buildings		43,205	
4195	Cemeteries		10,283	
4196	Insurance		24,000	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.		1,000	
4199	Other General Government			
PUBLIC SAFETY		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
4210-4214	Police		75,100	
4215-4219	Ambulance		1,500	
4220-4229	Fire		32,850	
4240-4249	Building Inspection		2,000	
4290-4298	Emergency Management		800	
4299	Other (Including Communications)			
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
4301-4309	Airport Operations			
HIGHWAYS & STREETS		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
4311	Administration		229,500	
4312	Highways & Streets		149,775	
4313	Bridges		10,000	
4316	Street Lighting		4,000	
4319	Other			
SANITATION		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
4321	Administration			
4323	Solid Waste Collection			
4324	Solid Waste Disposal		127,176	
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up			
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other		2,700	

1	2	3	4	5
Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations As Voted	For Use By Department of Revenue Administration
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
4331	Administration			
4332	Water Services			
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv. & Other			
ELECTRIC		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
4351-4359	Electrical Operations			
HEALTH		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
4411	Administration			
4414	Pest Control			
4425-4429	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other		3,228	
WELFARE		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.		7,500	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments			
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other			
CULTURE & RECREATION		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		26,325	
4550-4559	Library		53,057	
4583	Patriotic Purposes			
4589	Other Culture & Recreation			
CONSERVATION		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
4611-4612	Admin. & Purch. of Nat. Resources		1,250	
4619	Other Conservation			
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING			
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT			
DEBT SERVICE		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes			
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes			
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Note		2,500	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service			

1	2	3	4	5
PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS Acct.#	WARR ART.#	Appropriations As Voted	For Use By Department of Revenue Administration	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

XXXXXXXXXX

XXXXXXXXXX

4901	Land	5 18	127,950	
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment	6 8 10 12	44,430	
4903	Buildings	9 11	409,000	
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs	4	5,124	

OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT

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XXXXXXXXXX

4912	To Special Revenue Fund			
4913	To Capital Projects Fund			
4914	To Enterprise Fund			
	Sewer-			
	Water-			
	Electric-			
	Airport-			
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund		128,002	
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917			
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds			
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds			
4919	To Agency Funds			
TOTAL VOTED APPROPRIATIONS			1,716,137	

SPECIAL NOTES FOR COMPLETING THE MS-2 FORM

This form must contain all the appropriations passed at an annual or special meeting. Combine all the approved and amended appropriations from the MS-6 or MS-7 posted budget form. List the appropriate warrant article numbers in column 3.

Do not cross off any accounts to enter your own titles. We have included the entire chart of accounts for reporting purposes. Please call us if you have any questions or need help in classifying any of your approved appropriations. Mail this form to us within 20 days after the meeting to our new address on the 1st page of this forms.

The revenue page form MS4, due September 1, will be mailed to you in the summer. This form is computerized. Send us your blank disk & a self-addressed, stamped mailer for a copy of the spreadsheet.

SOURCE OF REVENUE

TAXES

Yield Taxes	15,000
Interest & Penalties on Taxes	35,000
Excavation Activity Tax	100
Land Use Change Tax	3,000

LICENSES AND PERMITS

Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	210,000
Building Permits	1,000
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	7,000

FROM STATE

Shared Revenue	10,329
Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	43,354
Highway Block Grant	76,051

CHARGES FOR SERVICE

Income From Departments	8,000
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MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES

Interest on Investments	8,000
Mt. Crotchet Firefighters-Association	7,000

INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN

Withdrawals from Capital Reserve	257,000
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OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

From Fund Balance "Surplus"	165,950
Fund Balance Used to Reduce Taxes	134,700

TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS	\$981,484
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TAX RATE COMPUTATION

TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN

TAX RATE

--Town Portion--

Appropriation	1,716,137
Less: Revenues	< 981,484>
Less: Shared Revenues	<8,544>
Add: Overlay	35,013
War Service Credits	<u>3,850</u>
Net Town Appropriation	\$764,972

TOWN RATE

Municipal Tax Rate

\$7.96

--School Portion--

Due to Regional School District	2,669,647
Less: Adequate Education Grant	<539,501>
State Education Taxes	<u><670,511></u>
Net School Appropriation	\$1,459,635

**LOCAL
SCHOOL RATE
\$15.21**

--State Education Taxes--

Equalized Valuation (no utilities)x	5.80
115,605,311	\$670,511
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)	
94,699,137	

**STATE
SCHOOL RATE
\$7.08**

--County Portion--

Due to County	170,058
Less: Shared Revenues	<u><2,460></u>
Approved County Tax Effort	167,598

**COUNTY RATE
\$1.75**

County Tax Rate

COMBINED TAX RATE

\$32.00

---COMMITMENT ANALYSIS---

Total Property Taxes Assessed	3,062,716
Less: War Service Credits	<u><3,850></u>
Total Property Tax Commitment	3,058,866

---PROOF OF RATE---

Net Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Assessment
State Ed. Tax 94,699,137	7.08	670,511
All Other Taxes 95,997,037	<u>24.92</u>	<u>2,392,205</u>
	32.00	3,062,716

---2003 BOND REQUIREMENTS---

Treasurer:	78,000
Tax Collector:	71,000
Town Clerk:	27,000
Trustees of Trust Funds:	125,000

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES				
FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002				
ACCOUNT NAME	APPROPRIATION	EXPENDED	UNEXPENDED	OVERDRAFTS
EXECUTIVE	34,303.00	34,353.46	(50.46)	(50.46)
ELECTION REGISTRATION & VITAL	28,809.00	29,728.72	(919.72)	(919.72)
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	24,877.00	25,495.84	(618.84)	(618.84)
REVALUATIONS	6,100.00	2,284.03	3,815.97	0.00
LEGAL EXPENSES	7,500.00	6,581.18	918.82	0.00
PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION	71,765.00	83,204.26	(11,439.26)	(11,439.26)
PLANNING AND ZONING	18,028.00	9,694.38	8,333.62	0.00
PLANNING REVIEW EXPENSE	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	0.00
GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDING	43,205.00	28,325.33	14,879.67	0.00
CEMETERIES	10,283.00	6,742.08	3,540.92	0.00
INSURANCE	24,000.00	18,124.80	5,875.20	0.00
REGIONAL ASSOCIATION	1,000.00	984.74	15.26	0.00
POLICE	75,100.00	80,199.19	(5,099.19)	(5,099.19)
AMBULANCE	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	0.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT	32,850.00	32,809.69	40.31	0.00
BUILDING INSPECTOR	2,000.00	1,585.00	415.00	0.00
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	800.00	534.00	266.00	0.00
HIGHWAYS AND STREET	229,500.00	220,487.79	9,012.21	0.00
GENERAL EXPENSE HWY	69,775.00	80,245.71	(10,470.71)	(10,470.71)
RESEAL/PATCH	60,000.00	55,163.85	4,836.15	0.00
GRAVEL	20,000.00	18,750.00	1,250.00	0.00
BRIDGES	10,000.00	4,121.28	5,878.72	0.00
STREET LIGHTING	4,000.00	3,268.53	731.47	0.00
SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL	127,176.00	126,479.72	696.28	0.00
LANDFILL TEST & MAINTENANCE	2,700.00	4,004.38	(1,304.38)	(1,304.38)
HEALTH	3,228.00	3,227.84	0.16	0.00
WELFARE	7,500.00	10,810.81	(3,310.81)	(3,310.81)
PARKS AND RECREATION	26,325.00	27,357.73	(1,032.73)	(1,032.73)
LIBRARY	53,057.00	48,712.40	4,344.60	0.00
CONSERVATION	1,250.00	933.82	316.18	0.00
PRIN-LONG TERM NOTES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
INTEREST-LONG TERM NOTES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
INTEREST ON TAN	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	0.00
ART 3 CAPITAL RESERVES	128,002.00	128,002.00	0.00	0.00
ART 4 NEW COMPUTER HARDWARE/SOFTWARE	5,124.00	5,124.00	0.00	0.00
ART 5 REAPPRAISAL REAL PROPERTY	87,950.00	50,150.00	37,800.00	0.00
ART 6 PD IN-CAR VIDEO SYSTEM	4,430.00	4,430.00	0.00	0.00
ART 8 NEW ROAD RAKE	6,000.00	5,155.00	845.00	0.00
ART 9 NEW HIGHWAY GARAGE	400,000.00	162,839.01	237,160.99	0.00
ART 10 DEFIBRILLATOR/MONITOR	14,000.00	14,000.00	0.00	0.00
ART 11 FIRE DEPT. BLDG. REPAIRS	9,000.00	6,005.00	2,995.00	0.00
ART 12 PICKUP OR SIX-WHEEL DUMP TRUCK	20,000.00	18,800.00	1,200.00	0.00
ART 15 CONSERVATION FUND 2002	40,000.00	40,000.00	0.00	0.00
TOTALS	1,716,137.00	1,358,715.57	317,421.43	(34,246.10)
MINUS OVERDRAFT			(34,246.10)	
NET UNEXPENDED BALANCE OF APPROPRIATIONS			283,175.33	
CARRYOVER				
ART 5 REAPPRAISAL REAL PROPERTY	87,950.00	50,150.00	37,800.00	0.00
ART 9 NEW HIGHWAY GARAGE	400,000.00	162,839.01	237,160.99	0.00
ART 11 FIRE DEPT. BLDG. REPAIRS	9,000.00	6,005.00	2,995.00	0.00

Balance Sheet
December 31, 2002

Assets

Cash	\$959,270
Investments	20,406
Taxes receivable, net	413,537
Tax liens receivable, net	91,139
Total assets	<u>\$1,484,352</u>

Liabilities and Fund Balance

Liabilities:	
Accounts payable	\$57,257
Accrued liabilities	1,185
Due to Conval School District	805,843
Deposits	22,455
Total liabilities	<u>886,740</u>

Fund Balance:	
Reserved for conservation	2,792
Unreserved:	
Designated:	
Main Street Reconstruction	\$75,000
Revaluation of property	37,800
Fire Department building repair	2,995
New Highway garage	196,985
Less amount available in Capital Reserve Funds	<u>(115,783)</u>
	196,997
Undesignated	<u>397,823</u>
Total fund balance	<u>597,612</u>
Total liabilities and fund balance	<u>\$1,484,352</u>

**SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY
(AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2002)**

LOCATION	ACRES	VALUE	
Map 5 Lot 68 - Land	11.80	\$54,900	
Transfer Station Buildings		2,300	
Map 12 Lot 5 - Land	10.21	40,500	
Fire Station		151,200	
Fire Department - Equipment		525,000	
Highway Garage		14,300	
Highway Department - Equipment		275,000	
Map 13 Lot 6 - Land	1.20	49,100	
Red School Building		168,900	
Map 13 Lot 20 - Land	1.00	32,400	
Library		168,400	
Furniture & Equipment		106,500	
Map 13 Lot 29 - Land	.40	24,500	
Town Hall Annex		97,100	
Furniture & Equipment		35,000	
Police Department Equipment		46,000	
Map 13 Lot 41 - Land	1.00	32,400	
Town Hall, Carriage Sheds		264,700	
Furniture & Equipment		6,500	
Map 1 Lot 2-4	Greenfield Road	5.00	32,300
Map 1 Lot 13	Town Forest	61.00	63,200
Map 1 Lot 16-1	Greenfield/Farrington Rd.	16.73	72,100
Map 2 Lot 20	Town Forest	52.00	33,200
Map 3 Lot 28	Cemetery # 3	16.20	26,000
Map 3 Lot 56	Clarkville Road	.20	4,300
Map 4 Lot 3	East Road	1.40	1,100
Map 4 Lot 5	Town Forest	445.24	199,000
Map 4 Lot 6	Town Forest	134.00	97,100
Map 4 Lot 11	East Road	1.10	19,500
Map 5 Lot 52	Main Street	1.00	7,400
Map 5 Lot 67	Town Forest	6.00	4,500
Map 6 Lot 25-1	Town Forest	27.91	78,900
Map 7 Lot 2	Town Forest	1.00	24,300
Map 7 Lot 3	East Road	9.35	531,800
Map 7 Lot 3-1	East Road	193.00	140,600
Map 7 Lot 6	East Road	115.50	78,300
Map 7 Lot 9	Mountain Road	1.2	14,700
Map 8 Lot 63	Bennington Road	39.00	70,400
Map 8 Lot 71	Old County Road North	2.00	2,900
Map 8 Lot 76	Old County Road North	22.00	43,700
Map 8 Lot 78-1	Old County Road North	1.00	27,000
Map 12 Lot 8	W/S 2 nd NH Turnpike S.	.25	18,000
Map 12 Lot 16	Cemetery # 2	1.25	27,400
Map 13 Lot 26	Cemetery # 1	1.00	32,400
Map 14 Lot 19	Bixby Mill Pond Dam	2.60	35,300
TOTAL ACRES AND VALUES	1,182.54	\$3,780,100	

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January 23, 2003

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Francestown, New Hampshire

We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Francestown, New Hampshire, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2002, and have issued our report thereon dated January 23, 2003.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement

The management of the Town of Francestown, New Hampshire is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of internal control structure policies and procedures. The objectives of an internal control structure are to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of general purpose financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Because of inherent limitations in any internal control structure, errors or irregularities may nevertheless occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of the structure to future periods is subject to the risk that procedures may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of the design and operation of policies and procedures may deteriorate.

In planning and performing our audit of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Francestown, New Hampshire for the year ended December 31, 2002, we obtained an understanding of the internal control structure. With respect to the internal control structure, we obtained an understanding of the design of relevant policies and procedures and whether they have been placed in operation, and we assessed control risk in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the general purpose financial statements and not to provide an opinion on the internal control structure. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might be material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors and irregularities in amounts that would be material in relation to

the general purpose financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control structure and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above.

This report is intended for the information of the Board of Selectmen. However, this report is a matter of public record, and its distribution is not limited.

Hachon, Chahay & Co., PC

**DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENSES
FISCAL YEAR 2002**

EXECUTIVE

Appropriation \$34,303.00

Payroll*	\$28,247.94
Postage	443.80
Computer-Supplies/Repairs	1,623.18
Office Supplies	442.46
Professional Development	40.00
Publications	401.70
Travel Reimbursement	110.23
Advertising	198.00
Town Reports	1,828.50
Telephone	898.78
Miscellaneous	<u>118.87</u>
Total	\$34,353.46

ELECTION/REGISTRATION/TOWN CLERK

Appropriation \$28,809.00

Payroll*	\$25,909.33
Postage	83.20
Computer/Supplies	315.00
Printing	8.65
Copier/Supplies/Repairs	50.00
Office Supplies	409.01
Professional Development	471.00
Publications	137.00
Travel Reimbursement	674.16
Advertising	215.50
Telephone	970.62
Miscellaneous	<u>485.25</u>
Total	\$29,728.72

FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

Appropriation \$24,877.00

Payroll*	\$11,645.06
Postage	2,062.20
Computer/Supplies/Repairs	1,545.00
Printing	0.00
Copier/Supplies/Repairs	49.99
Office Supplies	226.11
Professional Development	405.00
Office Equipment	0.00
Travel Reimbursement	177.18
Recording Fees	601.57

Bank Fee Charges	1,539.73
Professional Audit	<u>7,244.00</u>
Total	\$25,495.84

REVALUATION UPDATES

Appropriation \$6,100.00	
Payroll*	\$0.00
Postage	407.34
Computer Supplies	0.00
Printing	132.00
Appraisal Updates	650.00
Tax Map Updates	<u>1,094.69</u>
Total	\$2,284.03

LEGAL EXPENSES

Appropriation \$7,500.00	
Legal/Defense/Claims	<u>\$6,581.18</u>
Total	\$6,581.18

PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION

Appropriation \$71,765.00	
Medical Insurance	\$30,281.81
FICA	28,291.56
Unemployment Insurance	115.11
Workmen's Compensation	4,830.49
Retirement - Highway	18,555.20
Short Term Disability	<u>1,130.09</u>
Total	\$83,204.26

PLANNING & ZONING

Appropriation \$18,028.00	
Payroll*	\$1,508.08
Postage	778.98
Computer/Supplies/Repairs	0.00
Printing	633.38
Office Supplies	276.36
Professional Development	48.00
Publications	355.00
Travel Reimbursement	61.54
Advertising	1,605.45
Recording Fees	38.34
Professional Plan	0.00
Completeness Review	40.00
Reimburse Telephone	0.00
Regional Dues	1,628.00

Miscellaneous	197.35	
Master Plan	<u>2,523.90</u>	
	Total	\$9,694.38

PLANNING REVIEW & EXPENSES

Appropriation \$2,500.00

Total \$0.00

GENERAL GOVERNMENT BLDG MAINTENANCE

Appropriation \$43,205.00

Payroll*	\$3,080.00	
Electricity	3,089.04	
Telephone	1,490.72	
Heating Fuel	2,998.50	
Water	381.10	
Buildings Repairs/Service	6,276.08	
Bottled Water	295.00	
Buildings Alarm Service	1,025.00	
Buildings Furnishings	252.97	
Town Clock	0.00	
Grounds Keeping	6,912.50	
Copier Contracts/Supplies	2,258.30	
Supplies	<u>266.12</u>	
	Total	\$28,325.33

CEMETERIES

Appropriation \$10,283.00

Supplies	\$69.99	
Electricity	101.13	
Equipment Rental	0.00	
Equipment Repairs/Supplies	385.46	
Grounds Keeping	6,185.50	
Cemetery Repairs #2	0.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>0.00</u>	
	Total	\$6,742.08

INSURANCE

Appropriation \$24,000.00

Property & Liability	<u>\$18,124.80</u>	
	Total	\$18,124.80

REGIONAL ASSOCIATION DUES

Appropriation \$1,000.00

NHMA	\$964.74	
Town Officers' Associations	20.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>0.00</u>	

Total	\$984.74
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POLICE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation \$75,100.00

Payroll*	\$57,704.91
Postage	161.32
Copier/Supplies/Repairs	223.92
Office Supplies	474.01
Professional Development	0.00
Publications	512.01
Office Equipment	2,488.56
Advertising	0.00
School Program	0.00
Telephone	2,355.31
Weapon	0.00
Ammunition	872.95
Animal Care	200.00
Professional Prosecutor	875.00
Dispatch Service	2,191.50
Medical Supplies	0.00
Uniforms	3,659.68
Radio Repairs	160.00
Gasoline	1,523.00
Repairs Cruiser	2,147.00
Radio Equipment	7.42
Miscellaneous	2,422.60
Special Duty Pay	<u>2,220.00</u>
Total	\$80,199.19

AMBULANCE

Appropriation \$1,500.00

Contacted Services	\$0.00
Ambulance Purch/Lease	<u>0.00</u>
Total	\$0.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation \$32,850.00

Administrative Expenses	\$900.00
Electricity	1,356.36
Telephone	956.91
Heating Fuels	912.00
Building Repairs/Service	1,439.43
Propane	97.33
Professional Development	3,272.20
Dispatch Service	4,617.92
Fire Equipment	3,269.00
Association Dues	399.00

Medical Supplies & Equipment	1,841.06
Protective Clothing	3,225.62
Forest Fires	1,786.64
Radio Repairs	2,788.44
Gasoline	266.00
Diesel	520.00
Repairs Fire Apparatus	3,683.30
Dry Hydrant Repair/Installation	0.00
Miscellaneous	456.64
Forestry Grant Money	<u>1,021.84</u>
Total	\$32,809.69

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Appropriation \$2,000.00

Payroll*	\$1,585.00
Office Supplies	<u>0.00</u>
Total	\$1,585.00

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Appropriation \$800.00

Radio Repairs	\$0.00
Miscellaneous	<u>\$34.00</u>
Total	\$534.00

HIGHWAYS AND STREETS

Appropriation \$229,500.00

Payroll*	\$156,023.32
Professional Development	240.00
Road Salt/Salt Additive	29,191.04
Sand-Winter	8,799.00
Culvert/Grates/Maintenance	1,783.24
Mowing	2,175.00
Blasting	3,512.50
Equipment Rental	8,774.00
Calcium Chloride-Summer	6,829.78
Road Fabric	0.00
Seeds/Hay	0.00
Tree Cutting	2,250.00
Miscellaneous	<u>909.91</u>
Total	\$220,487.79

GENERAL EXPENSE HGWY

Appropriation \$69,775.00

Office Supplies	\$207.55
Advertising	173.25

Electricity	2,791.01
Telephone	846.79
Heating Fuel	5,148.36
Water	269.75
Maintenance & Repairs Bldg	3,152.63
Dues	20.00
Supplies	2,142.63
Medical/Physical	260.00
Drug/Alcohol Testing	340.00
Protective Clothing	2,741.51
Radio Repair & Maint.	0.00
Gasoline/Additives	3,410.27
Diesel/Additives	6,901.00
Repairs Heavy Truck	7,244.61
Truck Parts	9,773.12
Repairs Heavy Equipment	9,996.31
Parts-Heavy Equipment	5,904.05
Tires	4,527.00
Oil/Lubricants/Anti-Freeze	342.64
Welding	804.88
Tools	1,070.40
Equipment Purchases	478.76
Street Signs	578.20
Traffic Signs	394.20
MV/Reg/Insp	317.00
Miscellaneous	808.05
Cutting Edges	2,756.80
Chains	587.89
Small Equipment/Repairs	570.45
Engineering	1,050.00
Sanders Repair	3,122.35
Plow Wing Repairs	0.00
FEMA	<u>1,514.25</u>

Total \$80,245.71

RESEAL/PATCH

Appropriation \$60,000.00

Sand	\$1,647.73
Shimming	<u>53,516.12</u>

Total \$55,163.85

GRAVEL

Appropriation \$20,000.00

Bennington Site	\$0.00
Gravel/Processing	<u>18,750.00</u>

Total \$18,750.00

BRIDGES

Appropriation \$10,000.00

Maintenance/Repairs	<u>\$4,121.28</u>
Total	\$4,121.28

STREET LIGHTING

Appropriation \$4,000.00

Utility Charge	<u>\$3,268.53</u>
Total	\$3,268.53

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL

Appropriation \$127,176.00

Payroll*	\$30,339.80
Printing	0.00
Professional Development	100.00
Publications	0.00
Travel Reimbursement	0.00
Electricity	519.25
Telephone	694.49
Building Repairs	2,932.05
Propane	712.14
Supplies	977.53
Compactor Rental	1,800.00
Toilet Rental	770.00
Equipment Rental	0.00
Hauling/Disposal (Compactor)	62,638.88
Disposal Tires	1,330.00
Container Rental/Bulky (C&D)	0.00
Haul/Disposal - Bulky	18,457.44
Haul/Glass	900.00
Hauling/Newsprint	900.00
Hauling/Plastic	495.50
Hauling/Aluminum	5.45
Hshld. Hazardous Waste Collection	924.94
Miscellaneous	<u>1,982.25</u>
Total	\$126,479.72

LANDFILL WELL TEST

Appropriation \$2,700.00

Payment to Town of Bennington	<u>\$4,004.38</u>
Total	\$4,004.38

HEALTH SERVICES

Appropriation \$3,228.00

Family Services	\$1,850.00
Home Health Care	1,212.00

Red Cross		<u>165.84</u>
	Total	\$3,227.84

WELFARE GENERAL ASSISTANCE

Appropriation \$7,500.00

Payroll*	\$1,000.00
Publications	18.00
Welfare Eligibility Payments	<u>9,792.81</u>
Total	\$10,810.81

RECREATION

Appropriation \$26,325.00

Payroll*	\$17,384.00
Postage	75.98
Electricity	0.00
Telephone	157.83
Supplies/Beach	233.48
Toilet Rental	800.00
Maintenance Rec Equipment	1,007.09
Field Maintenance	2,015.00
Beach Lease	1,000.00
Little League/Baseball	2,641.70
Equipment	848.08
Swimming Program	110.00
Halloween	451.08
Piano Repairs	242.25
Miscellaneous	<u>391.24</u>
Total	\$27,357.73

LIBRARY

Appropriation \$53,057.00

Payroll*	\$31,574.95
Postage	325.38
Office Supplies	996.06
Professional Development	276.60
Publications	1,318.83
Travel Reimbursement	132.76
Library Books	9,689.63
Electricity	715.03
Telephone	1,324.79
Heating Fuel	1,108.00
Water	201.35

Building Repairs	426.77
Equipment/Repairs	27.99
Miscellaneous	171.91
Summer Reading Program	<u>422.35</u>
Total	\$48,712.40

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Appropriation \$1,250.00

Postage	\$148.24
Copier Supplies	0.00
Printing	249.23
Office Supplies	0.00
Professional Development	49.00
Advertising	82.50
Professional Service/Legal	0.00
Association Dues	175.00
Field Equipment	0.00
Miscellaneous	229.85
WHIP Grant	<u>0.00</u>
Total	\$933.82

DEBT SERVICE

Appropriation \$2,500.00

Prin-Long Term Notes	\$0.00
Interest-Long Term Notes	0.00
Interest on TAN	<u>0.00</u>
Total	\$0.00

WARRANT ARTICLES 2002

ARTICLE 3 Capital Reserves

Appropriation \$128,002.00

Trustee of Trust Funds	<u>\$128,002.00</u>
Total	\$128,002.00

ARTICLE 4 New Computer Hardware/Software

Appropriation \$5,124.00

Clear Choice Computers	<u>5,124.00</u>
Total	\$5,124.00

ARTICLE 5 Reappraisal Real Property
Appropriation \$87,950.00

Avitar Associates	<u>\$50,150.00</u>
Total	\$50,150.00

ARTICLE 6 PD In-Car Video System
Appropriation \$4,430.00

Kustom Signals Inc.	<u>\$4,430.00</u>
Total	\$4,430.00

ARTICLE 8 New Road Rake
Appropriation \$6,000.00

Howard P. Fairfield Inc.	<u>\$5,155.00</u>
Total	\$5,155.00

ARTICLE 9 New Highway Garage
Appropriation \$400,000.00

David Jonas	\$ 2,054.57
Charles O'Neill	2,054.57
Alan Thulander	2,054.57
Clarence Paige	90.00
Schauer Environmental	993.63
Christopher Danforth	1,090.00
Michael Petrovick	30.00
Transcript Printing Company	231.00
Signature Press & Blueprinting	497.75
John S. Jordan Design	17,100.00
Francetown Sand & Gravel	50,000.00
Sandford Survey & Engineering	6,584.95
General Steel Corporation	<u>80,057.97</u>
Total	\$162,839.01

ARTICLE 10 Defibrillator/Monitor
Appropriation \$14,000.00

Medtronic Physio-Control Corp.	<u>\$14,000.00</u>
Total	\$14,000.00

ARTICLE 11 FD Building Repairs
Appropriation \$9,000.00

JDB Custom Carpentry LLC	<u>\$6,005.00</u>
Total	\$6,005.00

ARTICLE 12 Pickup Or Six-Wheel Dump Truck

Appropriation \$2,000.00

Treasurer State of NH

\$18,800.00\$18,800.00**ARTICLE 15 Conservation Fund**

Appropriation \$40,000.00

Francestown Conservation

\$40,000.00\$40,000.00***Payroll**

Donald C. Abbott	\$1,000.00
Elizabeth M. Behrsing	350.00
Aaron B. Bequeath	3,100.00
Peter A. Bixby	195.00
Donald E. Boggis Jr.	60.00
Steven D. Brown	1,050.00
David H. Cahoon	1,326.60
Barbara J. Carbee	1,216.31
Scott S. Carbee	11.59
George C. Cilley	13,826.54
Liam F. Delahanty	1,760.00
Pamela K. Delahanty	4,000.00
Jill L. Delorey	1,508.08
Abigail L. Eneguess	1,696.00
Clayton Foote, Jr.	32,701.25
Richard A. Foote, Sr.	6,559.97
Katharine M. Gadwah	817.50
Jessica L. Gagnon	2,810.00
Joan E. Hanchett	19,645.17
Frank Hanchett	832.20
Rebecca L. Harris	319.61
Jonathan D. Holdredge	264.00
Sirkka T. Holm	2,420.87
Allison L. Houlihan	520.00
Carol W. Ireland	607.50
Phillip W. Ireland	2,161.59
Daniel L. Jewell, Jr.	14,467.26
Helen Johnston	607.50
David A. Jonas	425.00
Edward E. Jones	11.59
Shirley L. Jones	231.76
Kathi L. Kendall	4,394.07
Peter C. Ketchum	1,195.00

Heather S. Kiblin	399.74
Erik A. Kokal	1,408.00
Kristopher S. Kokal	406.00
David W. Kullgren	1,117.78
Paul H. Lawrence	165.00
Paul N. Leandri	80.00
Brian R. Leblanc	738.14
Joseph C. Ludwig	1,585.00
Stephen J. Macinnes	342.00
Mary Jane Marsden	61.80
Karen M. Mayo	750.00
Elaine T. McClary	34,127.68
Bernice E. Miller	515.00
Richard O. Miller	2,397.81
Sarah L. Morgen	3,145.00
Janet J. Munson	250.00
Warren B. Murdough	1,646.26
Pamela A. Nation	730.00
Jonathan A. Nightingale	9,791.38
Gary W. Paige	35,970.11
Clayton O. Philbrick III	30,599.17
Thomas J. Plourde	44,612.49
Lori J. Ricci	21,597.94
Meghan L. Rodier	380.00
Dolores J. Sanchioni	242.06
Patricia L. Schell	538.00
Gordon R. Sherman	141.63
Karen A. St.Cyr	19.31
Paul A. St. Cyr	1,475.00
Thomas J. Thibeault	15,735.25
O. Alan Thulander	1,200.00
Liza H. Uhl	456.00
Harold A. Varnum	165.00
Kevin F. Valenti	6,690.00
Helene Voto	2,099.60
Randall S. Wheeler	400.00
Matthew E. Wingren	5,833.25
Philip J. Woodbury III	17,775.03
Devyn R. Young	544.00
Total	\$368,222.39

Administrative Staffing Issues - Fall 2002

Review of town government in Francestown and in 5 surrounding communities shows that timely changes in administrative staffing of the Francestown Town Offices are needed in order to:

- Provide better administrative consistency and continuity during transitional periods for the Board of Selectmen
- Eliminate over-dependency on a single staff member and provide adequate vacation/sick leave coverage
- Expand the base of potential candidates for the office of Selectman by reducing the time and knowledge requirements for the job
- Provide a consistently high level of professional knowledge and experience to decision makers
- Make the job more transparent to all Selectmen, as well as to the public
- Improve oversight of and interface with departmental operations
- Improve management practices, including, but not limited to personnel
- Improve interface with land use boards
- Improve enforcement of codes/regulations/statutes

Criteria for the optimal staffing solution include:

- Achievement of many, if not all, of the goals listed above
- Combined administrative job scope (2 or more employees) supporting 60 – 80 hours/week - combining with other administrative functions such as tax collector, land use board administration, etc. where cost effective
- Annual wage and benefit packages adequate to attract and retain competent and experienced applicants
- Effective interface with and utilization of skills and experience of existing administrative assistant
- Management of cost impact as well as tax rate through phasing, utilization of non-public hours and job consolidation
- Flexible, stepped transition
- Support of Selectmen and support staff

The total **incremental** cost of implementing the optimal plan is estimated to be in the range of \$50,000 - \$100,000. Variables include base salary, family status, length of work week and the amount of public access. Voter approval of increased spending will be required at Town Meeting but the Selectmen do not require additional authorization to create additional administrative positions.

Report prepared for Selectmen at their request by: Abigail Arnold, Paul Lawrence and Harry Varnum

Copies of full text available at the Selectmen's Office and the G.H. Bixby Library

Administrative Staffing Issues - Fall 2002 (page 2)

Comparison of Francestown Administrative Staff with That of Five Area Towns*- October 2002

Relevant Statistics	Antrim	Bennington	Deering	Hancock	Greenfield	Francestown
2000 Census: Population	2,449	1,401	1,875	1,739	1,657	1,480
2000 Census: # Households	1,160	635	933	814	640	656
Town Employees (hourly work wk/hourly wage)						
Town Manager	-	-	-	-	-	-
Town Administrator	-	40/\$16.42	-	-	-	-
Business Manager	32/\$18.57	-	-	-	-	-
Administrative Assistant	-	-	38.5/\$11.82	40/\$17.31	40/\$17.31	18.5/\$22.72
Clerical/secretarial/tax collector	-	40/\$15.56	-	-	-	-
Clerical/secretarial	32/\$11.20	15/\$12.56	-	40/\$12.01	40/\$12.15	4/\$9.83
Land Use (Planning & Zoning) Administrator	12/\$N/A	-	-	-	-	-
Total Hours	78	95	38.5	80	80	22.5
Additional Services						
Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer	25 hrs/wk	Yes	Yes	Yes	10 hrs/wk	Yes
Elected Town Clerk	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Elected Tax Collector	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Outside Assessors (for interim annual assess.)	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Grant Writing - consultant	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
Estimated Normal Selectman Office Hours	0	0	0	5-1	20-30	25+

*Comparisons among towns are complicated by variations in job descriptions, etc. Please refer to full report for more information.

Cost Estimates Based on 32 Hour Work Week with Standard Benefits

Hourly Rate	Salary @ 32 hrs/wk	Payroll Tax	Benefits**	Total Cost	Less 2002 Costs	Incremental Cost
Town Administrator	\$25	\$41,600	\$3,600	\$7,000	\$52,200	\$10,000***
Administrative Assistant	\$23	\$38,300	\$3,300	\$6,800	\$43,400	\$26,500
Total		\$79,900	\$6,900	\$13,800	\$95,600	\$36,500

**Assumes town votes to pay only individual medical premium, not full family premium, for all eligible employees.

*** Included in Planning & Zoning budget. Position not filled but impacts the tax rate calculation.

**Annual Report of the Treasurer
Year Ended December 31, 2002**

Balance in Treasury January 1, 2002		\$982,359.17
Tax Collector:		\$3,206,687.71
Town Clerk		\$264,408.76
State of NH		
Shared Revenue Block Grant	\$10,666.50	
Highway Block Grant	\$76,050.96	
Other State Grants & Reimbursements	\$59,155.57	
Total State of NH		\$145,873.03
Federal Grants and Reimbursements		\$0.00
Conservation Income		\$59,062.02
Unclassified:		
Building Permits	\$1,875.00	
Business Permits	\$25.00	
Septic Approvals	\$425.00	
Pistol Permits	\$340.00	
Planning Board & BOA Fees	\$2,113.99	
Cemetery Lot Sales/Care	\$1,125.00	
Reimburse Police Expenses	\$2,306.50	
Waste Disposal Fees	\$2,775.50	
Recycling Sales	\$315.24	
Exercise Programs	\$1,150.00	
Recreation Programs	\$2,878.00	
Sale of Town Owned & Tax Deeded Property	\$2,565.00	
Interest on Investments	\$8,764.18	
Short Term Rental	\$425.00	
Insurance Dividends and Refunds	\$3,167.53	
Intergovernmental Revenues	\$11,908.42	
Interfund Transfers	\$214,172.00	
Fines and Forfeits	\$416.50	
Cable TV & Phone commission	\$3,327.99	
Donations & Contributions	\$520.00	
Misc Revenues	\$2,105.34	
Sales - Printed Materials/Copies	\$535.72	
Reimbursement of Expenses	\$2,916.28	
Total Unclassified		\$266,153.19
Total Revenues		\$3,942,184.71
Less : Selectmens' Orders Paid		\$3,765,980.26
Conservation Orders Paid		\$21,266.14
Balance in Treasury December 31, 2002		\$1,158,563.62
Balance in Treasury December 31, 2002:		
Cash and Other Current Investments	\$976,570.11	
Cash in Conservation Account	\$181,993.51	
Total Balance in Treasury December 31, 2002		\$1,158,563.62

TOWN CLERK REPORT – 2002

Automobile Permits	2239	\$256,777.16
** Dog Licenses	473	4,541.00
Marriage Licenses	5	190.00
Copies of Vital Statistics	27	196.00
Filing Fees	9	9.00
Rebates to Town Clerk		7,043.92
Total		<u>\$268,757.08</u>

** A reminder that all dogs should be licensed by April 30th of each year, if dog is over 3 months old. There is a \$25.00 forfeit if your dog is not licensed by June 1st, RSA 466:13. **Important please be sure to bring current rabies certificate with you when licensing your dog.** Licenses available at the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours, Monday through Thursday 8:00 A.M. to noon, and Monday evening 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Elaine T. McClary, Town Clerk

Town of Francestown, NH

FY 2002 MS-61 REPORT AS OF 1/9/03

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2002

UNCOLLECTED AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FISCAL YEAR

	2002	2001	2000	1999+
PROPERTY TAXES:		\$255,639.88	\$0.00	\$0.00
RESIDENT TAXES:		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
USE CHANGE TAXES:		\$4,216.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TIMBER YIELD TAXES:		\$2,134.68	\$0.00	\$0.00
EXCAVATION TAXES:		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
ACTIVITY TAXES:		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
WATER/SEWER TAXES:		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
BETTERMENT TAXES:		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Credits Carried Forward:	\$0.00			

TAXES COMMITTED DURING THE FISCAL YEAR

	2002	2001
PROPERTY TAXES:	\$3,063,711.00	\$0.00
RESIDENT TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00
USE CHANGE TAXES:	\$12,816.00	\$0.00
TIMBER YIELD TAXES:	\$16,872.83	\$0.00
EXCAVATION TAXES:	\$318.58	\$0.00
ACTIVITY TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00
WATER/SEWER TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00
BETTERMENT TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00

OVERPAYMENTS COLLECTED DURING THE FISCAL YEAR

	2002	2001	2000	1999+
PROPERTY TAXES:	\$13,123.63	\$6.94	\$0.00	\$0.00
RESIDENT TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
USE CHANGE TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TIMBER YIELD TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
EXCAVATION TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
ACTIVITY TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
WATER/SEWER TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
BETTERMENT TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

INTEREST COLLECTED DURING THE FISCAL YEAR

	2002	2001	2000	1999+
ON TAXES:	\$2,380.41	\$17,245.75	\$0.00	\$0.00
RESIDENT TAX PENALTIES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

TOTAL DEBITS:	\$3,109,222.45	\$279,243.25	\$0.00	\$0.00
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COLLECTED DURING THE FISCAL YEAR

	2002	2001	2000	1999+
PROPERTY TAXES:	\$2,701,942.65	\$255,639.88	\$0.00	\$0.00
RESIDENT TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
USE CHANGE TAXES:	\$9,335.00	\$4,216.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TIMBER YIELD TAXES:	\$12,091.67	\$2,134.68	\$0.00	\$0.00
EXCAVATION TAXES:	\$318.58	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
ACTIVITY TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
WATER/SEWER TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
BETTERMENT TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
INTEREST PENALTIES:	\$2,380.41	\$17,245.75	\$0.00	\$0.00
CONVERTED TO LIENS:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

ABATEMENTS GRANTED DURING THE FISCAL YEAR

	2002	2001	2000	1999+
PROPERTY TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
RESIDENT TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
USE CHANGE TAXES:	\$3,481.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TIMBER YIELD TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
EXCAVATION TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
ACTIVITY TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
WATER/SEWER TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
BETTERMENT TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
DEEDED:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

OVERPAYMENTS COLLECTED DURING THE FISCAL YEAR

	2002	2001	2000	1999+
PROPERTY TAXES:	\$13,123.63	\$6.94	\$0.00	\$0.00
RESIDENT TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
USE CHANGE TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TIMBER YIELD TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
EXCAVATION TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
ACTIVITY TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
WATER/SEWER TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
BETTERMENT TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

UNCOLLECTED AT THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR

	2002	2001	2000	1999+
PROPERTY TAXES:	\$361,768.35	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
RESIDENT TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
USE CHANGE TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TIMBER YIELD TAXES:	\$4,781.16	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
EXCAVATION TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
ACTIVITY TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
WATER/SEWER TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
BETTERMENT TAXES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

TOTAL CREDITS:	\$3,109,222.45	\$279,243.25	\$0.00	\$0.00
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CURRENT UNASSIGNED CREDITS: \$0.00

PRIOR YEAR UNASSIGNED CREDITS: \$0.00

LIENS REPORT

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2002

LIENS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FISCAL YEAR

	2002	2001	2000	1999+
UNREDEEMED:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$72,024.65	\$18,357.17
LIENS EXECUTED:	\$0.00	\$129,775.10	\$0.00	\$0.00
INT/COSTS COLLECTED:	\$0.00	\$6,303.37	\$10,179.48	\$6,641.42
ELDERLY LIENS:		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NEW ELDERLY LIENS:	\$0.00	\$0.00		

TOTAL LIEN DEBITS:	\$0.00	\$136,078.47	\$82,204.13	\$24,998.59
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COLLECTED DURING THE FISCAL YEAR

	2002	2001	2000	1999+
REDEMPTIONS:	\$0.00	\$88,657.95	\$61,154.37	\$18,357.17
INTEREST COSTS:	\$0.00	\$6,303.37	\$10,179.48	\$6,641.42
ABATEMENTS:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
LIENS DEEDED:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
BALANCE AT YEAR END:	\$0.00	\$41,117.15	\$10,870.28	\$0.00
ELDERLY LIENS:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

TOTAL LIEN CREDITS:	\$0.00	\$136,078.47	\$82,204.13	\$24,998.59
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END MS-61 REPORT

Does your municipality commit taxes on a semi-annual basis (RSA 76:15-a)? Yes

TAX COLLECTOR'S SIGNATURE: Elaine J McClary

UNCOLLECTED PROPERTY TAXES
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2002

2002 PROPERTY TAX - FIRST BILL

AMES, ROBERT C.	1,445.66
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	29,170.00
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	464.00
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	848.00
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	333.00
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	14,095.00
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	15,711.00
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	1,711.00
BARREGO, PETER J.	2,983.00
BEARD, RICHARD J	1,245.00
BENNETT, PATRICIA	1,463.00
BERRY, STEPHEN H	1,319.00
DAVIS, JOAN	6.91
DEMETRY, ELIZABETH M	351.00
DERR, BERNARDENE M.	560.00 *
DUMAIS, DOUGLAS T.	670.00
FERENCSEK, MICHAEL	2,539.00
FLETCHER, LARAINA A.	3,043.00
FOOTE, RICHARD A.	1,409.00 *
ESTATE OF FRITZ, MICHAEL E.	225.00
ESTATE OF FRITZ, MICHAEL E.	2,398.00
HALSEY, HES & NOAH	1,415.00
HANSEN, WILLIAM F	2,408.00
HANSEN, WILLIAM F	1,185.00
HARDWICK, CARL H. JR. & VALORIE MAE	1,844.00
HARTLEB, ROGER	168.00 *
HOYT, SR. WILLIAM F.	1,196.00
JOY, FRANKLIN III & SARAH L.	959.00
JOY, THOMAS W.	554.00
KIBLIN, WARREN	913.00
KULLGREN, RONALD & KAREN	1,877.00
KUTY, PAUL & HAZEL C	2,042.00
LAWRENCE, RICHARD	5.00
MACKAY, JOHN D.	17.00
MARTEL, JOSEPH J.	718.00
MCDONNELL, THOMAS	1,255.00
MILLER, BERNICE	42.00
MILLER, BERNICE	58.00

MILLER, BERNICE	1,676.00
MILLER, RICHARD	1,755.00
MILLER, RICHARD O	843.00
MILLER, RICHARD O	1,310.00
MORRIS, ALAN S	637.00
NAEGELI, SCOTT	1,269.00 *
NICHOLS, WENDY P.	9.00
NICHOLS, WENDY P.	105.00
ODONNELL, KENNETH R.	2,399.00
PATTEN, RICHARD E.	1,143.00
PERRY, JOHN III & SIOE HOEN	1,598.00
PITCHARD, PAMELA A.	1,589.00
PLYLE, CHARLES M.	13.70 *
RODIER, DENNIS P. & EILEEN L.	2,640.00
RODIER, DENNIS P. & EILEEN L.	12.00
SANDERSON III TRUST, NATHAN	3,619.00
SANDERSON III TRUST, NATHAN	12.00
SHELL, DAVID P. & PATRICIA B.	1,785.00
SLAMIN, GARY J. & SUE E.	1,029.00
TITUS, WAYNE E.	248.33
UTTER, NANCY E.	43.00
VON ROSENVINGE, JAMES T. & MAUREEN	5.00
VON ROSENVINGE, JAMES T. & MAUREEN	2,564.00
VON ROSENVINGE, JAMES T. & MAUREEN	34.00
WHIPPLE, GEORGE C.	1,898.00
YOUNG, JOHN H.	28.55
TOTAL UNCOLLECTED 2002 PROPERTY TAX-1ST.BILL	\$126,910.15

2002 PROPERTY TAX SECOND BILL

ABBOTT, BEVERLY A.	205.00 *
AMES, ROBERT C.	1,923.00
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	906.00
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	31,169.00
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	356.00
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	1,828.00
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	15,060.00
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	16,788.00
AMURU TORY PINES RESORT	496.00
BALDWIN, MICHAEL	159.00
BARREGO, PETER	3,187.00
BEARD, RICHARD J	1,331.00
BENNETT, PATRICIA	1,594.00

BERRY, STEPHEN H.	1,463.00
BIONDI, PAUL R	1,937.00 **
BODNAR, DAVID T.	1,864.00
BYINGTON, JENNIFER C.	76.00
BYINGTON, JENNIFER C.	19.00
BYINGTON, JENNIFER C.	4,299.00
BYINGTON, JENNIFER C.	15.00
CAMPBELL, KENNETH	2,030.00
CASKIE (ET-AL) BARBARA	724.49
CONNOR, NEAL C.	193.00
DAVIS, JOAN	1,726.00 *
DEANS, JAMIE S.	130.00
DEGROOT, KEVIN J. & JODY	137.00
DELOREY, DAVID F.	35.00
DEMETRY, ELIZABETH M.	375.00
DEPPE, WILLIAM & JUNE	519.00
DERR, BERNARDENE M.	610.00 **
DIBBLE, BONNIE	1,257.00
DISHONG, EDWARD M.	2,295.47
DUMAIS, DOUGLAS	716.00
DUNCAN, ELIZABETH P.	3.00
EISENBERG, ALFRED J	2,667.00
ELLIS, PAUL V.	3,171.00 *
FARRELL, DOUGLAS	1,194.00
FERENCSEK, MICHAEL & MICHELLE	2,712.00
FERENCSEK, MICHAEL & MICHELLE	30.00
FLETCHER, LARAINA A.	3,301.00
FOOTE, RICHARD A	1,506.00 *
FREEMAN, WARD P	1,825.00
ESTATE MICHAEL E. FRITZ	2,612.00
ESTATE MICHAEL E. FRITZ	251.00
GETTINGS, G. LAWRENCE	97.68
GILMAN, DENNIS	2,472.74
GLAUDE JR. MAURICE A.	582.00
HALE, JESSIE S.	1,504.00 *
HALSEY, HES	368.00
HALSEY, HES	1,541.00
HANSEN, WILLIAM F.	2,572.00
HANSEN, WILLIAM F.	1,265.00
HARDWICK, CARL H. JR.	1,971.00
HARTLEB, ROGER	180.00 *
HESS, CAROL L.	1,018.00

HEWETT, ELLEN M.	300.00 *
HIGGINS, STEPHEN T.	1,990.00 **
HOWELL, CATHERINE	39.82
HOYT SR., WILLIAM F.	1,396.00
JACKSON, DANA	834.00
JOY, FRANKLIN III	1,025.00
JOY, THOMAS W.	592.00
KEE, ROBERT T.	2,477.00
KEOHANE, STEPHEN	5.00
KEOHANE, STEPHEN	2,258.00
KEOHANE, STEPHEN	23.00
KIBLIN, HOBART D. & HEATHER	1,276.00
KIBLIN, WARREN	975.00
KNIGHT, PAUL B.	1,540.00
KULLGREN, RONALD	2,005.00
KUTY, PAUL & HAZEL C.	2,182.00
LAUGINIGER, FRANK	192.00
LAWRENCE, RICHARD	15.00
LUDWIG, ANTHONY J	1,303.00
LUNAN, JOHN B	1,274.00 **
MACKAY, JOHN D	18.00
MARTEL, JOSEPH J	767.00
MAYBEE, HARRY THOMAS	1,006.00
MCCARTHY, GERALD F.	1,395.00
MCDONNELL, THOMAS	1,340.00
MCGRATH, ARTHUR	395.00
MCKAIG, KEVIN B.	1,652.00
MILKE, MERRILL D.	770.00
MILLER, BERNICE	44.00
MILLER, BERNICE	1,790.00
MILLER, BERNICE	61.00
MILLER, RICHARD	1,929.00
MILLER, RICHARD O.	1,400.00
MILLER, RICHARD O.	901.00
MINTON, BRUCE	420.00 *
MONKTON, CHRISTINE M.	1,901.00
MORRIS, ALAN S.	694.00
MOUL, MARK	1,635.00
NAEGELI, SCOTT	1,355.00 *
NEMETH JOZSEF & NANCY	2,886.00 *
NICHOLS, WENDY P.	19.00
NICHOLS, WENDY P.	123.00

ODONNELL, KENNETH	2,613.00
PERREAULT, PAUL A.	1,309.00
PERRY, JOHN & SIOE HOEN	289.00
PERRY, JOHN & SIOE HOEN	11.00
PERRY, JOHN & SIOE HOEN	7,049.00
PERRY, SIOE HOEN T.	68.00
PETERS, THOMAS W.	152.00
PETERS, THOMAS W.	6.00
PETRILLO, ROBERT	2,219.00
PITCHARD, PAMELA A.	1,730.00
POPE, HAROLD D.	32.00 *
POPE, HAROLD D.	3,008.00 **
PYLE III, CHARLES M.	3,328.00 *
PYLE III, CHARLES M.	516.00 *
PYLE III, CHARLES M.	1,820.00 **
RAV REALTY TRUST	2,146.00
RICCI, SUSAN W.	1,626.00
ROBERTS, RICHARD D.	1,216.00
RODIER, DENNIS P.	13.00
RODIER, DENNIS P.	2,820.00
RODRIGUES, DANIEL J.	58.00 *
ROSS, COLEMAN A.	2,389.00 *
SANDERSON III, NATHAN TRUST	3,921.00
SANDERSON III, NATHAN TRUST	13.00
SANDERSON IV, NATHAN H.	502.00
SCHELL, DAVID P.	1,944.00
SLAMIN, GARY J.	1,099.00
SOSNICK, NICOLETTE	1,456.00
STUDEN, LAURA R.	1,427.00 *
SULLIVAN, CHRISTOPHER	2,118.00
TITUS, WAYNE E	465.00
UTTER, NANCY E	47.00
VALENTIN, ALFREDO	456.00
VALENTIN, EILEEN	1,329.00 **
VON ROSENVINGE, JAMES T.	6.00
VON ROSENVINGE, JAMES T.	2,740.00
VON ROSENVINGE, JAMES T.	35.00
WESCOTT, WILLIAM A.	41.00 *
WHIPPLE, GEORGE C.	2,028.00
WHITE, JOHN W.	2,183.00 **
WHITE, JOHN W.	78.00 *
WHITTEMORE, FREDERICK	38.00

WHITTEMORE, JEFFREY	383.00
WIESNER, ALBERT	322.00
WOODBURY FOREST INC.	59.00 *
WOODBURY FOREST INC.	2,005.00 *
WRIGHT, JUDITH C.	1,688.00
YOUNG, JOHN H.	1,588.00
TOTAL UNCOLLECTED 2002 PROPERTY TAX-2ND BILL	<u>\$234,858.20</u>

UNCOLLECTED 2002 TIMBER YIELD TAX

CAMPBELL, KENNETH	1,084.95
ELLIS, PAUL V.	652.31 *
FERENCSEK, MICHAEL	501.00
WILSON, WARREN E.	2,542.90
TOTAL UNCOLLECTED 2002 TIMBER YIELD TAX	<u>4,781.16</u>

* PAID IN FULL AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2002

** PARTIAL PAYMENT AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2002

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine T. McClary, Tax Collector

**FRANCESTOWN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
2002 REPORT**

2001 Officers:

Chief	Donald Abbott
1 st Deputy	Brian Delahanty
2 nd Deputy	Rich Pierson
Forest Fire Warden	Richard Leavitt
Captains	Gary Paige
	Frank Jones
	Larry Kullgren
	David Kullgren
	Kevin Holdredge
Standing Committee	Richard Leavitt
	Rich Pierson
	Chuck Kendall
Clerk	Mark Pitman
Treasurer	Paul St. Cyr
Training Officers	Frank Jones
	David Kullgren
Fire Prevention Officer	Rich Pierson
Historian	Al Thulander

Breakdown of calls

Fires –

Structure - 3
Brush – 5
Chimney – 4
Smoke alarm - 3
Smoke investigation - 1
Vehicle – 3

Rescues –

Accidents – 21
Medical – 43
Water - 3

Mutual Aid – 9

PSNH – wires down – 16
Drills – 22
Meetings – 12
Work Details – 16
Sunday morning radio check – 52
Other – 13

The fire department responded to a total of 124 emergency calls during 2002 – this does not include drills, meetings, work details or radio check.

We have finished converting the old rescue truck into an all-purpose vehicle.

This past year we have one fire fighter complete the EMT course and five other members will be taking the course during the coming year. We had two fire fighters complete the state forest fire course and are now special wardens. The state uses these personnel to help out on forest fires through out the state. This past year two of our fire fighters spent 18 days with the state crew fighting the forest fires in Colorado. Anyone interested in joining the department should contact any officer or myself.

During the past year, on four calls, we had difficulty finding the residence due to the fact the house number was not posted at the end of the driveway. Please make sure your house number is posted and visible at the end of your driveway.

To report an emergency dial 911 – have a good and safe year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donald C. Abbott
Fire Chief

AUXILIARY FRANCESTOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT – 2002

Officers for 2002:

President	Linda Abbott
Vice President	Karen St. Cyr
Secretary	Marie Rechkemmer
Treasurer	Kathi Kendall

Activities for 2002 consisted of selling refreshments during the March Town Meeting; preparing and serving a corned beef dinner at the March Hillsborough County Forest Fire Wardens meeting; holding our first Blood Drive in May and a second one in December (both very successful); and serving cookies and cider to the school children (elementary, New Holland, and pre-schools) during Fire Prevention Week in October as well as presenting each school with a coupon from The Toadstool for a fire/safety related book.

At the annual fire department Spouse Appreciation dinner, held in April, the department expressed their appreciation to us for the times, over the years, we have supplied refreshments to them during fires, by presenting us with an outside grille/stove – so we can keep food items warm while at a fire.

2002 found us at the station on at least four occasions preparing refreshments and delivering it to the men during fires – structure and brush/forest.

Anyone interested in joining the Auxiliary please contact one of the officers.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda L. Abbott
President

Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands cooperate and coordinate to reduce the risk of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to find out if a permit is required before doing ALL outside burning. Fire permits are mandatory for all outside burning unless the ground where the burning is to be done (and surrounding areas) is completely covered with snow. Violations of RSA 227-L:17, the fire permit law and the other burning laws of the State of New Hampshire are misdemeanors punishable by fines up to \$2,000 and/or a year in jail, plus suppression cost.

A new law effective January 1, 2003 prohibits residential trash burning (RSA 125-N). Contact New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services at (800) 498-6868 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information

Help us to protect you and our forest resources. Most New Hampshire wildfires are human caused. Homeowners can help protect their homes by maintaining adequate green space around the house and make sure that the house number is correct and visible. Contact your fire department or the New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands at www.nhdf.org or 271-2217 for wildland fire safety information.

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRES

2002 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires Reported thru November 10, 2002)

TOTALS BY COUNTY

	<u># of Fires</u>	<u>Acres</u>
Belknap	52	13.5
Carroll	80	10.5
Cheshire	39	17
Coos	3	2.5
Grafton	53	21
Hillsborough	108	54.5
Merrimack	94	13.5
Rockingham	60	25.5
Strafford	31	23
Sullivan	20	6

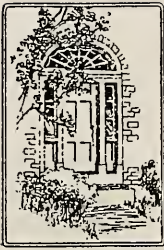
CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

Arson/Suspicious	43
Campfire	31
Children	32
Smoking	32
Rekindle of Permit	3
Illegal	7
Lightning	36
Misc *	356

(*Misc: powerlines, fireworks, railroad, ashes, debris, structures, equipment.)

	<u>Total Fires</u>	<u>Total Acres</u>
2002	540	187
2001	942	428
2000	516	149

Richard Leavitt
547-2959
Warden



GEORGE HOLMES BIXBY MEMORIAL LIBRARY
 Francestown, New Hampshire 03043

ANNUAL REPORT 2002

The following Committees met in the library during the year 2002.
 Francestown Academy, Francestown Land Conservation Inc. The Old Meeting
 House. Democratic Committee, League of Women Voters, Hillsborough 4H Oral
 History, Francestown Co-Op, Francestown Pre School.

Circulation of Materials

Adult	5,136	
Children's	4,818	
Inter Library Loan (Books,Audio Tapes,Videos)	307	
Audio Tapes	1,238	
Magazines	2,248	Total 13,747

Books Purchased	350 Adult
	509 Children's
	80 Children's CLiF Grant

Discards sold at Book Sale	272 Adult
\$518 Realised	347 Children's

New Patrons	47
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Library Events for 2002

January	Book Discussion John Adams	Bill Riley,Charley & Diane Curran, Steve Griffin, Sirkka Holm
February	Film Series	Heidi Dawidoff
	S.E.Asia Slides & Talk	Linda Cox
	Rock Painting	Kathy Marx
	BF Wine & Cheese Fund Raising	Ben Watson & Trustees\$1000.00
	Art Exhibit	Pat Swan
	Mom's Coffee	The Library
March	Film Series	Heidi Dawidoff
April	Photography & Wall Hangings	Alison Randall
May	Art	James "Jumbo" Mason
June	BF Garden Tour Fund Raising	Library \$5,000.00
	Plant Exchange	Library
August	Norwegian Needlework	Nancy Gagnon Family
	Summer Reading Program Party	Katie Gadwah
September	Labor Day Exhibit	Francestown Residents
October	BF "Love Letters" & "Footsteps of Doves"	Pleasant Pond Players
	Book Sale	Library
November	Film Series	Heidi Dawidoff & Rev Mel
	BF Sleep Over	Sara Cox \$100.00Burrows
December	Book Discussion	Cynthia West, Elizabeth Hunter Lavallee,Judy Danforth
	BF=Building Fund	

There were some changes in the Staff at the library during the year.
 Helene Voto had to leave due to family reasons in April. In September
 Sara Morgen was hired. Sara brings a wide knowledge of Children's Literature

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and has introduced many new ideas to our Children's Dept. After ten years as Library Assistant Frank Hanchett retired. We miss him on Saturdays and also for the many odd jobs he did for the library. Rebecca Harris replaced Frank. Sirkka Holm and Rebecca will attend the desk on alternate Saturdays.

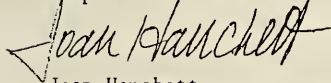
Our Book Discussions have been very well attended. More are scheduled for 2003. A list of films to be shown is posted at the library. We are grateful to all who make these programs possible. Please do not hesitate to speak to whoever is attending the front desk to request a book or program.

I would like to thank all who worked long and hard in preparing their gardens for our tour in June. The Building Fund for the new addition added \$5,000.00 to its total. Thanks to the Bolles, Miltons, Marsdens, Finchers, Mikulas, Neilleys, Severences, Radtkes. Thank you also to Helene Harbage and her helpers for a delicious luncheon.

Our library garden is greatly admired from Spring to Autumn. Betsy Wiederhold is responsible for this, and we are most grateful to her. Thanks also to Alan Thulander for supplying the library with all our newsprint about the State.

My thanks to the Trustees for their support and attention to the library.

Respectfully Submitted

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Joan Hanchett", written over a horizontal line.

Joan Hanchett
Librarian

THE GEORGE HOLMES BIXBY MEMORIAL LIBRARY LIBRARY TRUSTEE REPORT 2002

Under the direction of our Head Librarian, Joan Hanchett, the Library completed another year of events sponsored by the Library and Community.

Sara Morgen was selected to fill the position of Children's Librarian in the fall. Her knowledge and enthusiasm for children's literature is greatly appreciated.

Frank Hanchett retired from the staff this year after ten years of not only circulating books, but quite simply helping the Library function smoothly by lending a helping hand to the many tasks. Rebecca Harris has filled his staff position.

During the past three years all the necessary work has been accomplished to bring our addition plans to fruition. After interviewing many architects and visiting their works, the architectural firm of Dennis Mires, P.A., the Architects, of Manchester, New Hampshire was selected. A building committee has been assembled, the members are: Rob Ames, Nancy Gagnon, Nancy Houlihan, and Harry Varnum. With the Community's enthusiastic support for the new addition, we plan to break ground in the spring of 2004. We have enjoyed many fundraisers this year and are grateful for the generous gifts to the building fund.

This year we established The George Holmes Bixby Memorial Library Foundation of Frankestown, New Hampshire. The purpose of this Foundation is to ensure the continued growth and development of the resources, services and facilities of the Library in addition to that derived through our normal budgetary process.

Again we express our appreciation to Betsy Wiederhold for her gardening talents so enjoyed by all who visited the Library.

The Trustees are grateful to Joan, Sara and the staff for their continued high standard of professionalism and dedication to the success of the George Holmes Bixby Memorial Library.

Respectfully submitted,
Trustees

MaryFrances Carey
Judy Danforth
Connie Varnum

CONSERVATION COMMISSION 2002

The commission would like to thank the community for its continued support of our many ongoing projects and activities.

This has been a busy and interesting year for FCC members, with many exciting projects in the works.

By state statute, a conservation commission is responsible "for the proper utilization and protection of the natural resources and for the protection of watershed resources of said city or town". A commission is the only local board specifically charged with this responsibility.

A conservation commission is also specifically charged to "conduct research into its local land and water areas..." and to "keep an index of all open space and natural, aesthetic or ecological areas..." The board is frequently asked to make recommendations on proper use and / or protection of natural areas. It is very hard to make recommendations without knowing exactly where or what these resources are, so the FCC is looking into doing a current Natural Resource Inventory (NRI) for the Town of Francestown. This will be on the agenda in the future.

Over the year FCC members reviewed several subdivision and wetland applications, dealt with wetland and easement violations, attended educational workshops, passed out seedlings to the elementary school children, led several different hikes, and participated in a variety of other activities.

For the second year in a row the FCC sponsored a project for NH Trails Day in July. This was again such a success that another Trails Day was held in October. A total of more than 25 volunteers helped improve trails, and finished construction of a 35-foot pedestrian bridge that links the trailhead parking area to the forest interior and other trails.

Francestown Boy Scout Nate Sanderson has begun developing an updated map and brochure for trails in the Crotched Mt Town Forest and vicinity. He chose this as his required project needed to achieve the rank of Eagle Scout. It will be exciting to see the completed map, and we appreciate the effort Nate has put into this.

The bounds of the Driscoll Hill and Lord Town Forest were blazed and painted this year, and it was officially announced that the Crotched Mountain Town Forest was awarded certification as a "Tree Farm".

Management activities in the Crotched Mt. Town Forest included several projects: Over four acres of wildlife fields were completed, shrubs and crabapple trees were planted and beaver wetland habitat improvements were made. A timber harvest was finished up, a map kiosk was built, and trail maintenance work was done.

Most of these management activities were funded with assistance from grant programs. Some of these grants require "matching" funds or "in-kind" donations. More than \$3500 dollars worth of matching "in-kind" volunteer hours have been donated to our various grant projects this year. Once again we would like to thank the many volunteers who have made our projects possible.

As part of our Crotched Mt. land protection project we purchased a 1.4-acre lot on the top of Crotched Mt. (From the Northfield Mt. Herman School.) This small but significant parcel has some wonderful habitat features, protects an important viewscape and is a key link in the boards proposed project to protect at least 1000 acres of unfragmented habitat. To reach the 1000-acre goal we are currently negotiating with private landowners in this area *and* we are asking that the town consider permanently protecting some of the old ski area land, either by easement or other measure.

Three fairly large adjacent parcels of land abutting the as yet undeveloped Shattuck Pond went on the market this year. Shattuck Pond is a 25-acre body of water surrounded by a complex and varied series of wetlands. The area contains a wide diversity of wildlife habitat and is part of an important watershed. With the assistance of several natural resource professionals the board identified this as a significant ecological area and a priority for natural resource protection. Efforts are underway to do so.

Two different grant applications have been submitted for funding assistance with these land protection projects. Preliminary approval has been received for both grants, and we anxiously hope for final approval!

The conservation commission looks forward to your continued support and another active and interesting year.

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy Hardwick
Chairperson

Conservation Fund Balance as of 12/31/02 \$181,993.51

Income

Change of use revenue	6,775.50
Sale of Timber	2,578.63
Warrant Article	40,000.00
Grant Reimbursements	7,283.76
Interest	2,434.13

Expense

Forest Management	3,912.68
Land Purchase	10,304.50
Rec/Trail Grant Project	669.19
Habitat Grant Project	6,379.77
Bank Fee	10.00

2002 SCHEDULE OF CONSERVATION LANDS

NEW PURCHASE

- | | | |
|----|--|-----------|
| 1) | Crotched Mountain Lot
(Purchased from Northfield Mt. Herman School) | 1.4 acres |
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TOWN FORESTS: (751.97 acres)

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|----|--|--------------|
| 1) | Crotched Mountain Town Forest
(King, Merrill, Schultz, and Hardwick purchases and Merrill donation - south side of Crotched Mountain) | 663.46 acres |
| 2) | Driscoll Hill Town Forest
(Bowman Tract - off Driscoll Hill Road) | 53.6 acres |
| 3) | Lord Town Forest
(Ferson Road) | 27.91 acres |
| 4) | Piscataquog River Town Forest
(Behind/beside transfer station) | 6.0 acres |
| 5) | Fire Tower Town Forest
(Former state fire tower site-Crotched Mt. summit) | 1.0 acres |

CONSERVATION EASEMENTS HELD BY TOWN: (238.39 acres)

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| 6) | Pleasant Pond/Piscataquog River
(Off Pleasant Pond Road, donated by Ellen M. Hill) | 144.9 acres |
| 7) | Piscataquog River
(Poor Farm and Todd Roads, donated by Harry & Connie Varnum) | 45.6 acres |
| 8) | Piscatquog River
(South New Boston Road, donated by Karen Dunscombe) | 22.63 acres |
| 9) | Whiting Brook
(Off route 136, donated by Anthony Davis) | 25.26 acres |

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

This year has given us more snow and ice then we have seen for a long time. Because of this we have used a lot of sand and salt but our roads are looking real good.

Our new garage is coming right along. We should be in it by spring time.

I would like to take the time to sincerely thank all of my help, both full and part time, for the support they have given me this entire past year. The Town is very lucky to have such dedicated people working for them.

This year we also had the buildings at the transfer station painted and the undersides of four bridges cleaned and painted with labor supplied by inmates of the county.

Roads Graveled in 2002

Planned for 2003

Poor Farm

Ferson

Todd

Muzzey

Perley

Dennison Pond

County Rd. South

Champagne

Birdsall

Respectfully submitted

Thomas Plourde

Public Works Director

TRANSFER STATION

In 2002 we were lucky enough to have a young man, Matthew Lape of Wilson Hill Road build a used oil collection center. This not only gave us a nice collection center, but it earned him an Eagle Scout Badge. Thank you Matt.

Respectfully submitted

Thomas Plourde

Public Works Director

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT 2002

The 911 maps are 97% complete and should be available to all the emergency service departments by April 2003.

The replacement portable digital/analog radio was purchased and has been programmed with the ability to communicate with local and state emergency departments.

We continue to seek out grants for the Francestown Academy building (Town Hall) to renovate/restore to better serve the town as an emergency shelter.

My thanks to Alan Thulander for all the years he served as Director of Emergency Management.

If you have any questions relating to natural disasters, emergency services, etc., please don't hesitate to give me a call.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul A. St. Cyr
Director, Emergency Management

Fracesttown Police Department

15 New Boston Road
Fracesttown N.H. 03043

As in the past years our calls for service climb each year. We went from roughly 2350 calls for service last year to about 2600 calls this year. While this total does now include most of the motor vehicle stops initiated by the officers, including summons issued, or warnings given that is only a small portion of the increase. Again having had an extremely busy year has made it more evident that the department needs more help. I have proposed this year to hire a full time fully trained officer to do more of the daytime work as well as the prosecuting in court. Sgt Thomas Thibeault left the department at the end of January 2003 as did Patrolman Nightingale and Bequeath. I wish them well and good luck with their future endeavors. The new patrolman would start work sometime around August after we advertise the position and find someone suitable and qualified to do the job. We are also faced with hiring and training at least one other part time officer.

The following is a list of the type of calls we respond to.

Abandoned Vehicles	8	Civil Matters	23
Accidents	51	Juvenile Problems	9
Alarms	41	Fire/Rescue Calls	27
Animal Complaints	38	911 Hang-ups	11
Assist motorists, citizens	75	Unsecured Buildings	15
Assaults	4	Wires/Trees Down	19
Assist Other Depts.	117	Motor Vehicle Complaints	54
Annoying Phone Calls	18	Susp. Persons/Cars	74
Burglary	0	Follow up Investigations	426
Domestic Issues	26	Check the Welfare	6
Criminal Mischief	17	Arrests	19
Criminal Trespass	5	Miscellaneous	370
Criminal Threatening	3	Thefts	6
Reported Disturbances	2	Dog Complaints	52
OHRV Complaints	27	Paperwork Served	61

Chief Philip Woodbury

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

2002 REPORT

Breakdown of calls for 2002

Dogs –

Missing – 18
Strays – 25
Missing & Found – 10
Nuisance – 22
(includes barking, chasing, roaming)

Cats –

Missing – 5
Strays – 5
Missing & Found – 2

Miscellaneous – 35

(includes concerns for animal's welfare, livestock, wild animal sightings)

Of the dogs reported missing some either returned home on their own or ended up being reported as strays and were united with their owners – due to the fact they were wearing collars which had some sort of identification tag – license, rabies tag, name tag.

Animals picked up and no owner found were taken to the Monadnock Human Society in Swanzey.

This year's Rabies Clinic was a success. A Rabies Clinic will again be held in 2003 – probably in April – watch for posters as to the date and time. Remember cats need to be in a carrier and dogs on a leash

State law requires all dogs over 3 months old be licensed by April 30th each year. Remember – in addition to the license fee - there is an additional fee after June 1st to license your dog (\$25.00 Forfeit Fee and \$1.00 per month for each month you are delinquent). Proof of rabies vaccination (a rabies certificate) is required to license your dog – make sure you bring the certificate with you when you go to the Town Office to license your dog.

State law also requires cats be vaccinated against rabies.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donald C. Abbott
ACO

Board of Adjustment - 2002

The New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated and the Frankestown Zoning Ordinance give the Board of Adjustment the power to do the following: (1) hear appeals from administrative decisions relating to the enforcement of the Zoning Ordinance, (2) grant "Special Exceptions" under the Ordinance, (3) authorize "Variances" from the terms of the Ordinance, and (4) grant "equitable Waivers" from compliance with the dimensional requirements of the Ordinance. In each case the power of the Board is strictly limited by the terms of the Statutes and the Ordinance. Persons wishing to bring a matter before the Board should examine the Ordinance before filing an application. Copies of the Ordinance, forms for applications, information on filing fees and costs are available at the Town Offices.

The 2002 Board consisted of Charles M. Pyle, Chairman, Guy Swenson, Vice-Chairman, Carol Ireland, Clerk, Richard Kiczek and Josef Nemeth. Abigail Arnold, Lois Leavitt and David Stewart served as alternates, and Herb Fincher joined the Board in June as an additional alternate. Jill Delorey served as the Minutes Clerk.

During 2002 Board heard six cases, five applications for Variance and one application for a Special Exception; more cases than the previous two years combined. In addition, the Board of Adjustment and the Planning Board held a Joint Public Hearing to consider the reopening of the west side of Crotched Mountain as an alpine ski area.

Regular meetings of the Board of Adjustment are scheduled for the second Thursday of each month. All meetings are opened to the public.

The Chair thanks the Board, Alternates and the Minutes Clerk for their assistance and diligence in conducting the business of the Board of Adjustment during 2002.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles M. Pyle III
Chairman

FRANCESTOWN PLANNING BOARD – 2002

In February 2002 the Planning Board voted to approve a consolidation (voluntary merger) of two lots by Francestown Land Conservation Inc., said lots having frontage on Red House Road and Journey's End Road.

In March William McAuley and Sarah Hibbard Pyle were elected to three-year terms on the Planning Board, and Peter Zahn was elected to a one-year term to serve out the remaining year of former member Stewart Brock's term. In April, Sandra Ellis, Secretary of the Board, chose to resign for personal reasons. The Board appointed Lisa Stewart, a Planning Board Alternate, to fill out Ellis's term.

The Board then appointed Lawrence Johnson to a one-year term as Alternate to replace Michael O'Neill, who stepped down as Alternate, and appointed Robin Samuelson to a three-year term as Alternate.

Board members re-elected Benjamin Watson as Chair and elected Sarah Hibbard Pyle to serve as Secretary (Vice-Chair). Peter Zahn was elected Chair of the Completeness Review Committee, a position previously held by Pyle.

During 2002 the Planning Board voted to approve two subdivisions: a two-lot subdivision by Warren and Candace Wilson on Poor Farm Road, and a three-lot subdivision by Pratt Family Homes on King Hill Road.

In May the Board reviewed and certified a Sediment and Erosion Control Plan for a driveway on Oak Hill Road, following an appeal to the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

In July the Board held a public hearing on proposed revisions to the town's Driveway Regulations, and adopted new regulations, which are aimed at making the town's permitting process clearer and more user-friendly for applicants, and less ambiguous in terms of what is or is not allowed under the town's Zoning Ordinance. All new driveway permit applications will now be reviewed by representatives appointed by the Conservation Commission and the Planning Board, and applicants will be informed if their proposed plan requires further review by any of the town's land use boards.

Two Scenic Road Hearings were conducted during 2002. In the first, the Board voted to approve Verizon Communication's request to remove two trees and perform trimming to supply power to a new house on Oak Hill Road. In the second hearing, the Town of Francestown sought to remove certain dead trees within the town's right-of-way on Todd Road, Oak Hill Road, and the Second NH Turnpike South.

In the ongoing effort to update the town's 1995 Master Plan, the Board held the first of its Master Plan Public Forums on April 11 in the Town Hall. Town residents and

members of local boards and committees discussed priorities, questions, and concerns that should be addressed as the town works to update the Master Plan.

The most significant progress made on the Master Plan this year was the distribution of Master Plan Questionnaires to all town residents on the weekend of September 14-15. Board members and a large number of volunteers, organized by Lisa Stewart, dropped off packets with questionnaires and picked them up the following day. Surveys were also mailed out to all nonresident property owners.

The response to this questionnaire was overwhelming, with a return rate of 81 percent from residents (798 of the 987 surveys delivered were filled out and returned). Overall (counting nonresident response) the return rate was 75 percent. This high response rate ensures that the results of the survey are a truly representative and significant "snapshot" of town opinion. Thanks to everyone who took the time to fill out the survey, and special thanks to all of the volunteers who helped distribute and collect it.

The only downside of receiving so many responses was that the tabulation of the questionnaire had to wait until the Board could find someone willing and able to create a database for all the raw information. In December, the Board engaged Pat Hooper to undertake this task, and we plan as soon as possible in 2003 to make the results available to the town, probably in the context of a second Master Plan Public Forum.

Further work on the Master Plan was delayed by the application of Peak Resorts to redevelop the former Crotched Mountain West ski area, which lies in both Bennington and Frankestown.

On October 10 the Planning Board held a joint hearing with the Zoning Board of Adjustment and approved Phase I of the proposed project, allowing Peak Resorts to undertake, at its own risk, certain time-sensitive site improvements, so that the company could move forward with its planned schedule to open the mountain in December 2003.

A site inspection of the property was held in mid-November with members of both towns' land use boards in attendance. On November 19, the Bennington and Frankestown Planning Boards held a joint public hearing at Great Brook School in Antrim. As of January 21, 2003, both boards had granted conditional site plan approval.

Finally, the Board voted to approve a revised site development proposal from New Holland Vineyard School, which changed their permitted hours of operation from 7 am to 5 pm to 6:30 am to 6:30 pm, to accommodate before- and after-school activities.

Respectfully submitted,
Benjamin A. Watson, Chairman

FRANCESTOWN'S SIX-YEAR (2003-2008)
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Overview

The Town's Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) is a valuable planning tool that serves to help the Town anticipate, prioritize, coordinate and manage capital expenditures. The first CIP was prepared 13 years ago, establishing reserves as the Town's preferred method of funding large-ticket items. The Planning Board believes that the success of the CIP is due to coherent planning; to interdepartmental support and cooperation in contributing to the plan, to prioritizing projects and planned expenditures; to the formal articulation of town policies and goals underlying spending recommendations; and to a sustained effort to keep voters as fully informed as possible.

2003 Warrant

Primarily because of the unanticipated and significant increase in funds needed to complete the highway garage, the Planning Board is recommending the suspension of funding for the majority of reserves this year. Wherever possible, the board has deferred funding, spreading the impact over the next six years. In order for this strategy to work, of course, future expenditures will have to be closely scrutinized and in some cases, planned projects and purchases delayed. Other factors influencing the board's recommendation include an over 10% increase in the annual operating budget, unanticipated fire equipment expenditures, and an increase in reserve funding for conservation due to an opportunity to capitalize on conservation grant money (LCHIP).

The Planning Board recommends a spending plan, net of reserves and contributions from the undesignated fund surplus, of \$385,266 compared to 312,504 in 2002.

The Next Six Years:

Using the preferred method of planning for future town expenses rather than reacting to a critical need, the Planning Board has scheduled the funding of reserves at a level that will allow the town to purchase a new fire truck in 2004, a second police vehicle and a highway department vehicle in 2005, as well as to make a significant investment in conservation land this year, to contribute to the town library project beginning next year, and to begin renovation of the town hall in 2006.

Since the first reserve was established in 1955, reserve funding has been an effective tool in managing spending growth in Francetown. However, in order for this tool to continue to work, it is critical that realistic funding forecasts are made and expenditures are properly managed.

Respectfully Submitted,
The Planning Board, Board of Selectmen
and Budget & Advisory Committee

COMPARISON OF 2003 CIP WITH 2003 WARRANT ARTICLES

(1) Expense	(2) CIP	(3)	(4) Warrant Article	(5)	(6) Est Tax Impact
Capital Reserve Item					
Highway Equipment	0.00		0.00	2	.00
Fire Trucks	\$50,000.00		\$50,000.00	2	.52
Fire Radios	500.00		500.00	2	.01
Police Vehicles	20,000.00		20,000.00	2	.21
Reappraisal	0.00		0.00	2	.00
Recreation Lands	0.00		0.00	2	.00
Town Building Imp.	0.00		0.00	2	.00
Town Road Imp.	0.00		0.00	2	.00
Imp. of Cemetery	0.00		0.00	2	.05
Library Building	10,000.00		10,000.00	2	.10
Conservation Fund	70,000.00		70,000.00	2	.73
Equipment/Projects					
Air condition town offices	9,000.00	T	9,000.00	2	.10
Purchase 4WD Pickup	15,000.00	R	15,000.00	2	.00
Highway Garage	275,000.00	T/F	275,000.00	2	1.81
Lights at tennis court	9,000.00	R	9,000.00	2	.00
Swim platform & shed	3,000.00	R	3,000.00	2	.00
Purchase police sedan	26,000.00	R	26,000.00	2	.00
Repair 37M-1 Pumper	7,950.00	T	7,950.00	2	.08
Replace SCBA air tanks	6,248.00	T	6,248.00	2	.07
Purchase SCBA air packs	12,000.00	T	12,000.00	2	.12
Expansion of cemetery	67,000.00	T/R	67,000.00	3	.25
Sidewalk upgrade	-	T	175,000.00	3	\$1.81
Todd Rd. Fire Pond	-	T	<u>18,000.00</u>	3	.19
Total 2003 Warrant (non-budget)			\$773,698.00		
Total Recommended Articles			513,698.00		
Less Applied Reserves & Fund Surplus			<u>153,000.00</u>		
Total Spending All Articles			578,598.00		
Total Recommended Spending Plan			360,698.00		

In Column 3, An R=reserve funding, T=funded by taxation, F=fund surplus applied

In Column 5, a #2 notation indicates that approval of the warrant article is recommended by a majority of the Board of Selectmen and of the Budget Committee. A #3 notation indicates that neither group recommends approval.

In Column 6, Estimated tax impact is in dollars per thousand of appraised value.

There were 37 building permits issued; 8 houses, 6 barns, 8 additions, 1 enclosed Porch, 3 garages, 3 porches, 1 horse shed, 5 decks and 2 utility sheds.

O Alan Thulander resigned from his position as selectman in September. He was serving his 6th term as selectman and had devoted extensive time to town matters over the years. He also resigned from his positions as cemetery commissioner and emergency management director at that time. In addition, he had served as state representative for many years.

Crotched Mountain West Ski area was purchased, and work began to clear trails, remove the old ski lodge and install lifts. While the buildings are in Bennington, a portion of the trails and lifts are located in Franconetown.

Franconetown Improvement and Historical Society sponsored the 85th Labor Day Weekend Celebration. The parade theme was "Family Traditions". The book, "A Walking Tour of the Public Buildings of the Village of Franconetown, New Hampshire" was completed and available for purchase. The book was created by Ellen Neilley and Veda O'Neill, with contributions by Carol Brock, Kris Holmes and Priscilla Martin. The "Barn Survey" of historic barns 50 years and older in Franconetown was completed. Kris Holmes, Frank Hanchett, Frank Jones and Len Holmes conducted the survey of 86 barns. A copy of the survey is on display at the Historical Rooms. The Historical rooms were open for Labor Day, the Christmas Fair, the annual FIHS meeting in October, the 2nd Saturday of every month (began in May), and by appointment. The Historical Rooms were visited in April by the 4th graders and in December by the 1st graders.

The Old Meeting House had 255 lifetime and 36 annual members. Spring programs included: a violin recital by the students of Candy Wharton, a concert by the Meeting House Minstrels and Verdant Visions. Labor Day weekend: vespers and an open house. There was a community memorial on September 11th. Holiday programs included: Jesse Colin Young performing "An Acoustic Christmas" and The Monadnock Chamber Singers Concert featuring holiday carols and lullabies. There were 7 weddings held during the year. Restoration/Renovation projects included the completion of a second floor storage room. The OMH continues to search for memorabilia and other items related to the building. Officers were: President-Derald Radtke, VP & Treasurer-Bruce Larsen, Financial Adviser-David Avery, Membership-Merrill Milke, Programs-Meredeth Allen, Calendar of Events-Mit Boyle/Merrill Milke, Restoration-Phil Ireland/Leonard Allen, Curator/Historian-Kristiana Grimm, Secretary-Karen Paul.

Oak Hill Grange #32 had 21 members including 6 golden sheaf members (members for 50+ years). There was one new member of the Grange this year, William Robbins, age 14 (the minimum age required for membership). The Master of the Grange was Merle Jones and the Secretary was Dariel Peterson. The Citizen of the Year award was presented to Denise Glover in recognition for 6 years as a member of the school board representing Franconetown. The Grange sponsored Meet the Candidate Night and discussion of warrant articles on February 14th. They took 1st place for their exhibit "How Much Do You Know About Our Flag?" at the Hillsborough County Fair in New Boston. This exhibit is on loan to the Franconetown Elementary School for the students. Lucy Philbrick, a member, won a blue ribbon at the same fair for a scarf she knit out of wool from the Wiederhold's Newfoundland dogs. The Grange received a gift of \$300 from golden sheaf member Dick Cilley, for the purchase of dictionaries to be given to each member of the 4th grade in memory of his mother, Gladys Vadney. Gladys was a long time member and secretary of the Grange. This is part of a statewide project for the NH State Grange.

There were 2 churches meeting in town, The Franconetown Community Church continued its search for a new minister. Activities included: One Great Hour of Sharing in March, 13th annual Fall Festival in October, and the Christmas Fair in December.

The Village Chapel Baptist Church opened its doors on June 30th and met in July and August in the barn at 58 Greenfield Rd and then began meeting at the elementary school the first Sunday in September. Pastor Andrew Dean welcomes all to the new church.

The Food Co-Op met twice a month at the town hall with approximately 30 families participating. This was their 28th year of operation.

A new theatre group in town, "The Pleasant Pond Players", performed "Footsteps of Doves", a comedy and "Love Letters" a romance, in October.

There were 2 pre-schools in town. Joyful Tikes, a private school had an enrollment of 12 students aged 3,4 and 5 years old. Students from Fracestown, New Boston and Bennington attended 3 mornings a week(Tues, Wed and Thur). There is an extended day on Tuesday until 3 PM. Eileen Rodier is the owner and teacher. Fracestown Community Pre-School is a co-operative school with an enrollment of 24 pre-school and kindergarten age students as of December. The school offers full or part time enrollment 2-5 days a week and a summer program. Towns served by FCP included Fracestown, New Boston, Antrim, Bennington, Lyndeborough and Greenfield. Sherri Cheaney is President of the Board. Sue, Foley, the lead teacher, transitioned into a directorship position during the year and Amelia Martel took over as new lead teacher.

Enrollment in the Fracestown Elementary School as of October 1st was 79. In addition, 19 students were home schooled.

There were no Cub Scouts as of June due to lack of adults available to serve as leaders. There was a Boy Scout troop.

To the best of my knowledge, residents who served in the armed forces were: USAF-Staff Sgt Richard Kiczek, National Guard- Major Tim Ainsworth, Air National Guard-Colonel Sylvia Johnson.

Fracestown mourned the loss of several residents in 2002.

January 8, 2002-Richard Donald Hoyt, a member of Fracestown and Pittsburg granges, wrote poetry, enjoyed music, sang in the choir of the Fracestown Community Church.

January 10, 2002-Captain Richard S Mikula, was a retired US Airways pilot.

January 21, 2002-Bernardene M Derr, enjoyed summers in Fracestown.

August 19, 2002-Vanessa P Whittemore, proprietor and co-founder of Partners In Nursing of Fracestown. She enjoyed the outdoors, time with her family, her dogs and riding motorcycles.

September 19, 2002-Davin Richard Cilley, was valedictorian of his class at Conant HS, attended the US Coast Guard Academy and served in the Coast Guard from 1979-1987. He served aboard the tall ship "The Eagle" for the 1976 bicentennial, the USCG Bark and also served on the West Coast, New York, The Aleutians and Key West.

November 19, 2002-Kara Elizabeth McNeil, loved skiing and snowboarding. She was a member of the ski team and National Honor society when she was a student at Conval.

December 27, 2002-Richard A Crossland, had served in the National Guard, and as a police officer in Seabrook and Hampton. Most recently, he owned and operated his own heating/ventilating/air conditioning and refrigeration company.

All will be greatly missed by the community.

Respectfully submitted,
Kris Holmes-Historian

RECREATION COMMISSION REPORT

Thanks to the continued support and volunteer efforts of the community, Francestown Recreation was able to serve numerous youths, adults, and families through a variety of activities.

Summer Camps included, Track and Field, Soccer, Basketball, Roller Hockey, Tennis, Skateboarding, and Art. 72 children participated in one or more camps held throughout the summer. 32 children participated in the Red Cross swim program, held at Scoby Pond, under the direction of one of our own Francestown youth and certified water safety instructor. Scoby Pond was fully staffed throughout the summer with certified lifeguards and trained beach assistants, most of which are Francestown residents. The Crotched Mountain Baseball League, organized and coached by Mark Coutourier, served both girls and boys ages 6 to 12. Adult programs included Aerobics, Yoga, Clogging. A holiday bus shopping trip was also a great family activity enjoyed by many.

Once again, the Halloween Haunted House and games at the Town Hall were a success. Thanks to the volunteer efforts of Francestown folks, and out of town relatives. Special thanks to Rick Beard for his creativity and long hours of hard work. The Town Hall rocked with live music as a teen dance was also held in October.

The Recreation Commission is energized and looks forward to offering a wide variety of programs in 2003. We encourage all of you to get involved and help in any way you can. We also welcome any resident to give feedback on existing programs or any interests on future programs and/or activities.

On behalf of the Francestown Recreation Commission,

Andrej Kokal, Chairman
Pam Delahanty, Athletic Director

2003 PUBLIC ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

For the coming year the budget will be increasing by \$3,500, a tremendous increase when looking back over the years of funding. Welfare is one of the few budgets that can be over expended legally. It is hoped that with the re-opening of the ski area next winter, town residents finding themselves underemployed, will be able to take on second jobs to help cover the increasing costs of daily living expenses. The budget requested is all-inclusive and covers assistance granted, payroll, memberships and publications. State law is such that if there is a valid need, this office is allowed to expend beyond the budget. Clients, in general, are families in need, often with just one parent present. The court system for demanding child support seems to have many weaknesses and thus the burden falls on the local town for support, as long as the need is there.

Assistance is readily available but those in need must apply. Welfare officers cannot actively pursue potential clients on the hearsay of a knowing neighbor. If you feel your neighbor is in need, encourage them to make application for town help. Keep in mind that the application form is lengthy and information given must be verified prior to receipt of town assistance, unless it is an emergency. Do not wait until the last minute before making a call for help, as the process does take time. Most landlords, lenders and utility companies are willing to work with you and the Town. This office also has the obligation to direct possible clients to other service organizations for assistance. To check out available services, please contact the following organizations and ask about their eligibility requirements and programs that may serve you. SOCIAL SECURITY: 1-800-772-1213; FUEL ASSISTANCE, WIC, FOOD STAMPS: 1-800-322-1073; HOME HEALTH CARE: 1-800-541-4145; ALCHOHOLICS ANONYMOUS: 1-800-593-3330; N H HELPLINE: 1-800-852-3388. If one needs additional information or assistance in making application to these programs, I will gladly assist.

This year, as expenditures were beyond the budget, donations from various groups and individuals were requested and received for holiday giving. Thanks go out to many folks who have given so generously this past year to bring holiday greeting for so many:

The gentle men of the Pacific Lodge of the Order of the Masons, The Francestown Improvement & Historical Society, Francestown Sand & Gravel, The New Holland Vineyard School students (Julia Daniel, Jamie Hargreaves, Benjamin Hooper, Samuel Hooper, Steven Mason, Grace Moreau); The Francestown Community Church; The Cookie Club (Diane Hanley, Chris Bell, Jackie Whipple, Rose Perry, Carol McKinney, Maureen VonRosenvinge, Cathy Sanderson, Carolyn Tripp); Denise Buzzell, Kris Holmes, Priscilla Putnam Martin, Fred Paro, Karen St. Cyr, Polly Freese, Theo Wheeler, Betsy Wiederhold, The families of Brock, Carbee, Channon, Crooker-Lunetta, Danforth, Dalley, Delahanty, Fritz, Kokal, St. Jean, Samuelson, Sherman, Turcott, & Wallace. Special thanks to the students who helped make the deliveries: Silas Lunetta, Miko Lunetta, Rachel McKaig, & Christopher Wallace, who without their help the more than 50 recipients would not have had as bright a holiday.

Anyone needing assistance should call me directly (588-2519) to apply for services. Note that all matters are confidential and are not part of the public record. Please call if you have any questions about eligibility requirements for various assistance programs.

Respectfully submitted,

BJ Carbee, Public Assistance Administrator

Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Francetown on December 31, 2002

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	%	PRINCIPAL			INCOME				Total Trust Fund End of Year	
					Balance Beginning Year	New Funds Credited	Cash Gains or (Losses) on Securities (Withdrawals)	Balance End Year	INCOME DURING YEAR				
									Balance Beginning Year	Amount	Percent		Expended During Year
CEMETERY FUNDS:													
	CEMETERY FUNDS	CEMETERY CARE	Common Trust		\$34,128.20	\$775.00		\$34,853.20	\$6,584.07	\$405.19		\$6,969.26	\$41,822.46

LIBRARY AND EDUCATION FUNDS:

	LIBRARY & EDUCATION FUNDS	LIB & ED	Common Trust		\$5,107.46			\$5,107.46	\$8,593.02	\$135.98			8,729.00
													\$13,836.46

CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

1955	REPLACEMENT OF FIRE TRUCKS	CAPITAL RESERVE			96,304.20	40,000.00	(191.44)	136,010.76	21,385.63	3,874.02			25,259.65
1960	PURCHASE OF ROAD EQUIPMENT	CAPITAL RESERVE			36,663.69	35,000.00	(113.59)	47,093.10	32,835.09	2,274.82			35,159.91
1958	IMPROVEMENT OF CEMETERY	CAPITAL RESERVE			22,354.18	5,400.00	(61.04)	27,993.14	14,851.12	1,222.45			16,073.57
1968	FIRE DEPARTMENT RADIOS	CAPITAL RESERVE			6,418.92	500.00	(14.23)	6,914.69	2,222.66	285.03			2,507.69
1975	REPLACEMENT OF POLICE CRUISER	CAPITAL RESERVE			9,512.79	7,500.00	(25.16)	17,007.63	5,760.65	503.85			6,264.50
1976	FUTURE LIBRARY BUILDING	CAPITAL RESERVE			35,480.30	10,000.00	(83.40)	45,396.90	15,418.35	1,670.28			17,088.63
1986	REVALUATION OF PROPERTY	CAPITAL RESERVE			45,802.89	1.00	(51.00.06)	22,033.83	15,225.97	2,004.02			17,229.99
1990	PURCHASE OF RECREATION LANDS	CAPITAL RESERVE			52,818.65	5,000.00	(111.28)	57,707.37	14,830.22	2,228.70			17,054.92
1994	TOWN BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS	CAPITAL RESERVE			30,781.14	25,000.00	(68.71)	49,695.43	10,987.65	1,376.08			12,363.73
1994	TOWN ROAD IMPROVEMENTS	CAPITAL RESERVE			98,324.06	1.00	(210.75)	98,614.31	29,227.88	4,218.70			31,446.58
1996	HIGHWAY BUILDING	CAPITAL RESERVE			159,017.02		(265.20)	5,258.24	11,195.25	\$5,111.17		(16,506.42)	3,689.16
					\$593,908.04	\$128,402.00	(\$1,246.60)	\$513,097.60	\$173,990.47	\$24,969.12		(\$16,506.42)	\$695,510.77
TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS													

MARRIAGES REGISTERED FOR THE TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2002

GROOM'S NAME	GROOM'S RESIDENCE	BRIDE'S NAME	BRIDE'S RESIDENCE	PLACE OF MARRIAGE	DATE OF MARRIAGE
McGRATTY, SCOTT W.	FRANCESTOWN, NH	WHITCOMB, BRIANA J.	FRANCESTOWN, NH	SWANZEY, NH	02/09/02
GAUGHAN, SEAMUS P.	FRANCESTOWN, NH	SWETT, JULIE A.	FRANCESTOWN, NH	PORTSMOUTH, NH	04/27/02
BUCKLEY, BRIAN W.	FRANCESTOWN, NH	SKINNER, GLENDA J.	FRANCESTOWN, NH	FRANCESTOWN, NH	06/08/02
MacDONALD, CHRIS A.	FRANCESTOWN, NH	LeBLANC, AMY L.	FRANCESTOWN, NH	FRANCESTOWN, NH	06/22/02
ROCHETTE, ARRON D.	MERRIMACK, NH	WILLIAMS, ANDREA K.	FRANCESTOWN, NH	MERRIMACK, NH	08/04/02
MILLER, STEVEN H.	FRANCESTOWN, NH	FOOTE, JO-ANN	FRANCESTOWN, NH	FRANCESTOWN, NH	09/07/02
MAGOON, BRIAN M.	FRANCESTOWN, NH	SUSMANN, JENNIFER R.	FRANCESTOWN, NH	RINDGE, NH	09/28/02

I hereby certify that the above is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Elaine T. McClary, Town Clerk

BIRTH'S REGISTERED FOR THE TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2002

CHILD'S NAME	DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	FATHER'S NAME	MOTHER'S NAME
GRIFFIN, JACK ROBERT	03/18/02	NASHUA, NH	GRIFFIN, DENNIS	GRIFFIN, VICKIE
CICHY, NICHOLAS JOHN	04/12/02	MANCHESTER, NH	CICHY, JOHN	CICHY, JULIE
COOK, WILLIAM ALLEN	05/02/02	NASHUA, NH	COOK, CHRIS	COOK, JENNIFER
KERNEN, SAMANTHA JENKINS	05/06/02	LEBANON, NH	KERNEN, BRANDON	KERNEN, RAEGAN
KERNEN, MOLLY JANE	05/06/02	LEBANON, NH	KERNEN, BRANDON	KERNEN, RAEGAN
KIBLIN, JUSTIN MORGAN	05/15/02	PETERBOROUGH, NH	KIBLIN, WALTER	KIBLIN, MISTY
HEINSELMAN, COLE ARDELL	08/06/02	PETERBOROUGH, NH	HEINSELMAN, CRAIG	HEINSELMAN, ANGELA
McGRATTY, DELANEY ROSE	08/14/02	PETERBOROUGH, NH	McGRATTY, SCOTT	McGRATTY, BRIANA
PEIRCE, GEORGE LEONARD	08/29/02	MANCHESTER, NH	PEIRCE, GEOFFREY	PEIRCE, TAMMY
MacDONALD, ANYA JEAN	11/05/02	PETERBOROUGH, NH	MacDONALD, CHRIS	MacDONALD, AMY

I hereby certify that the above is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Elaine T. McClary, Town Clerk

DEATHS REGISTERED FOR THE TOWN OF FRANCES TOWN FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2002

DECEDENT'S NAME	DATE OF DEATH	PLACE OF DEATH	FATHER'S NAME	MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME
MIKULA, RICHARD S.	01/10/02	FRANCESTOWN, NH	MIKULA, STEPHEN	WROCLOWSKI, STELLA
WHITTEMORE, VENESSA P.	08/19/02	AMHERST, NH	DELUDE, PAUL	BOUTWELL, SHIRLEY
LEONE, SHIRLEY M.	10/17/02	PETERBOROUGH, NH	LEONE, RALPH	GOODELL, FLORENCE
WHITTEMORE, JEFFREY D.	10/27/02	MILFORD, NH	WHITTEMORE, MERRITT	BOULANGER, MARIE
CROSSLAND, RICHARD A.	12/27/02	MANCHESTER, NH	CROSSLAND, WILBUR	THOMAS, ALICE

I hereby certify that the above is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Elaine T. McClary, Town Clerk

**TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN, NH
March 12, 2002**

Meeting opened by Acting Moderator Harold A. Varnum at 10:00 AM and polls were declared opened.

Moderator read Warrant Article 1 and announced that the second session would be at the Town Hall, March 16, 2002 at 10:00 AM.

You are hereby notified to meet at the “Red School” in said Francestown on Tuesday, the twelfth day of March next, at 10:00 o’clock in the forenoon to act upon the subjects hereinafter set forth. The voting on Articles 1 thru 3 will be by official ballot, and the polls shall be open for balloting on said date at 10:00 o’clock in the forenoon and shall not close before 7:00 o’clock in the evening.

Total vote Town Officers Ballot

Regular Ballots

420

Absentee Ballots

31

Total vote School Ballot

Regular Ballots

420

Absentee Ballots

26

Article 1.

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

(By Official Ballot)

OFFICE

For Moderator for Two Years

Vote for One

Write-ins Paul Lawrence 201, Harold Varnum 8, Abigail Arnold 4, Phillip Ireland 4, Louis Wiederhold 2, Scott Carbee 2, Randall Wheeler 2, O. Alan Thulander 2, Peter Bixby 1, Mary Ruzicka 1, Ben Moeller 1, John Arnold 1, Lawrence Kullgren 1, Alvin VanCleave 1, Steve Brown 1, Gary Paige 1, Nancy Gagnon 1, Stuart Clark 1, Heather Kiblin 1, Robert Rokes 1, Sue Kelly 1, Derald Radtke 1, Charles Pyle 1.

For Selectmen for Three Years

Vote for One

“Steve” Brown

231

David A. Jonas

211

Write-ins Abigail Arnold 1, Kris Stewart 1, Scott Quilty 1, Harold Varnum 1.

For Town Treasurer for Three Years

Vote for One

Karen M. Mayo

398

Write-ins Abigail Arnold 1, Kathi Kendall 1.

For Town Clerk for Three Years	
Vote for One	
Elaine T. McClary	425
Write-ins Abigail Arnold 1	
For Tax Collector for Three Years	
Vote for One	
Elaine T. McClary	428
Write-ins Joan Hanchett 1	
For Library Trustee for Three Years	
Vote for One	
Mary Frances Carey	404
Write-ins Heidi Dawidoff 1, David Jonas 1, Mary Jane Marsden 1, Al Thulander 1.	
For Trustee of Trust Funds Three Years	
Vote for One	
Herbert A. Fincher	410
For Public Assistance Administrator for One Year	
Vote for One	
Barbara J. Carbee	383
For Supervisor of Check List for Six Years	
Vote for One	
Carol W. Ireland	420
For Cemetery Commission for Three Years	
Vote for One	
O. Alan Thulander	375
For Planning Board for Three Years	
Vote for Two	
William F. McAuley	332
Sarah Hibbard Pyle	345
For Planning Board for One Year	
Vote for One	
Peter Zahn	387
For Fire Ward for One Year	
Vote for Five	
Donald C. Abbott	408
Brian Delahanty	393
David W. Kullgren	390
Richard F. Leavitt	379
Alvin L. VanCleave	378

RESULTS
SCHOOL
3/12/02

1. Shall the Contoocook Valley School District appoint the salaries of the School Board and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the District as follows: School Board Chair, \$700; each member, \$500; Treasurer, \$2,000; Moderator, \$100; School Board Clerk, \$70 per meeting?
- YES ☒ 287 NO ☒ 124
2. Shall the Contoocook Valley School District accept the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, and Officers chosen?
- YES ☒ 365 NO ☒ 47
3. Shall the Contoocook Valley School District raise and appropriate as a gross operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$29,999,175. Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$29,566,264, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Contoocook Valley School District or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

- YES ☒ 254 NO ☒ 163
4. Shall the Contoocook Valley School District 1.) raise and appropriate the sum of up to \$200,000 to be added to the Elementary Schools Building Capital Reserve Fund, as previously established pursuant to the provisions of RSA 35:1, for the purpose of the Elementary Schools Building Project; and 2.) authorize the transfer of that amount from June 30, 2002 fund balance for this purpose? (This amount is equivalent to the interest earned on bond proceeds transferred to the general fund on or before June 30, 2002.) (The ConVal School Board designates this article as a SPECIAL warrant article and RECOMMENDS adoption of this article.)
- YES ☒ 275 NO ☒ 144
5. Shall the Contoocook Valley School District 1.) raise and appropriate the sum of up to \$50,000 to be added to the Elementary Schools Building Capital Reserve Fund, as previously established pursuant to the provisions of RSA 35:1, for the purpose of the Elementary Schools Building Project, and 2.) authorize such amount to be funded from the year end undesignated fund balance available on July 1, 2002? (This amount represents up to \$50,000 from the June 30, 2002 general fund surplus.) (The ConVal School Board designates this article as a SPECIAL warrant article and RECOMMENDS adoption of this article.)

- YES ☒ 267 NO ☒ 150

6. Shall the Contoocook Valley School District 1.) raise and appropriate the sum of up to \$50,000 to be added to the Special Education Trust Fund, as previously established pursuant to the provisions of RSA 198:20, and 2.) authorize the transfer of an amount not to exceed said amount of \$50,000 from the June 30, 2002 undesignated fund balance to the trust fund? (The ConVal School Board designates this article as a SPECIAL warrant article and RECOMMENDS adoption of this article.)
- YES ☒ 263 NO ☒ 152

7. To see if the Contoocook Valley School District will 1.) approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Contoocook Valley School Board and Contoocook Valley Education Association, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

Year	Estimated Increase
2001 - 2002	\$1,044,485
2002 - 2003	\$1,342,762
2003 - 2004	\$1,110,852

and 2.) to further raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,044,485 for the 2001 - 2002 fiscal year to be paid over to the District prior to June 30, 2002, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those paid in the 2001 - 2002 fiscal year and 3.) to further raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,342,762 for the 2002 - 2003 fiscal year, representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the total appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the current fiscal year.

- YES ☒ 254 NO ☒ 162

8. To see if the Contoocook Valley School District will authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address article 7 cost items only, if article 7 is defeated?

- YES ☒ 281 NO ☒ 130

9. Are you in favor of changing the term of the school district moderator for one year to three years, beginning with the term of the school district moderator to be elected at next year's regular school district meeting? (Submitted by Petition)

- YES ☒ 273 NO ☒ 145

School
3/12/2002

Total Voters
945

Total Req. Votes 425
ABSENTEES 26
Total 446

Conval School District Officers

For Moderator for One Year

Vote for One

Peter Hopkins

394

Write-in David Jonas 1

School Board Member for Three Years

Vote for One

“Andy” Paul

380

Contoocook Valley School District

March 12, 2002

Results of School District Ballot:

See following page for results:

Pursuant to RSA 39:2a and the vote of the Annual Town Meeting in 1979, you are hereby notified the second session in the annual meeting of the Town of Francestown will be held at the Town Hall on Saturday, the Sixteenth day of March next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, at which time the town will act on the following subjects.

Resolution

Be it resolved that the citizens of Francestown extend their thanks and appreciation to David Jonas for his three years of service as Selectman, and further that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Mr. Jonas by the Town Clerk.

Resolution

Be it resolved that the citizens of Francestown extend their thanks and appreciation to Denise Glover for her years of service as our representative to the Contoocook Valley School Board, and further that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Mrs. Glover by the Town Clerk.

Resolution

Be it resolved that the citizens of Francestown extend their thanks and appreciation to Janet Munson for her three years of service as Town Treasurer, and further that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Mrs. Munson by the Town Clerk.

Article 2.

Motion by Alan Thulander to raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and to make appropriations for the same.

Seconded by Clayton Foote.

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN

Appropriations and Estimate of Revenue for the ensuing year January 1 2002 to December 31, 2002.

February 12, 2002

David A. Jonas, Chairman	Selectmen
O. Alan Thulander	of
Paul A. St. Cyr	Francetown

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION (RSA 31:4)

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Executive	34,303
Election/Town Clerk	28,809
Financial Administration	24,877
Revaluation of Property	6,100
Legal Expense	7,500
Personnel Administration	71,765
Planning & Zoning	20,528
General Government Buildings	43,205
Cemeteries	10,283
Insurance	24,000
Advertising & Regional Assoc.	1,000

PUBLIC SAFETY

Police	75,100
Ambulance	1,500
Fire	32,850
Building Inspection	2,000
Emergency Management	800

HIGHWAYS & STREETS

Administration	229,500
Highways & Streets	149,775
Bridges	10,000
Street Lighting	4,000

SANITATION

Solid Waste Disposal	127,176
Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other	2,700

HEALTH

Health Departments	3,228
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WELFARE

General Assistance	6,500
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CULTURE & RECREATION

Parks & Recreation	25,300
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Library	53,057
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CONSERVATION

Conservation Commission	1,250
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DEBT SERVICE

Principal-Long Term notes	0
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Interest-Long Term Notes	0
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Interest on TAN	2,500
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TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$999,606
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Motion by Barbara J. Carbee to increase Welfare – General Assistance by \$1,000, from \$6,500.00 to \$7,500.00

Seconded by Charles O'Neil

Motion to increase Welfare by \$1,000.00 carried.

Motion made by Andrej Kokal to increase Parks & Recreation by \$1,025.00, from \$25,300.00 to \$26,325.00.

Seconded by Lawrence Barr.

Motion to increase Parks & Recreation by \$1,025.00 carried.

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION

(RSA 31:4)

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Executive	34,303
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Legal Expense	7,500
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Personnel Administration	71,765
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Planning & Zoning	20,528
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General Government Buildings	43,205
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Cemeteries	10,283
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Insurance	24,000
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Advertising & Regional Assoc.	1,000
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PUBLIC SAFETY

Police	75,100
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Ambulance	1,500
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Building Inspection	2,000
Emergency Management	800

HIGHWAYS & STREETS

Administration	229,500
Highways & Streets	149,775
Bridges	10,000
Street Lighting	4,000

SANITATION

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HEALTH

Health Departments	3,228
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WELFARE

General Assistance	7,500
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CULTURE & RECREATION

Parks & Recreation	26,325
Library	53,057

CONSERVATION

Conservation Commission	1,250
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DEBT SERVICE

Principal-Long Term notes	0
Interest-Long Term Notes	0
Interest on TAN	2,500

TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	1,001,631
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Article 2 as amended Total Operating Budget \$1,001,631.00 Carried.

Motion made by Andrej Kokal to restrict reconsideration of Parks & Recreation.

Seconded by Mark Oles

Motion to restrict reconsideration of Parks & Recreation carried.

Article 3.

Motion made by Clayton Foote, Jr. to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Twenty Eight Thousand, Two Dollars (\$128,002.00) to be placed in the Capital Reserve Accounts, to be allocated as follows:

Future Replacement of Fire Trucks	\$40,000.00
Future Replacement of Fire Dept. Radios	500.00
Future Replacement or Purchase of Hwy. Equip.	35,000.00
Future Replacement of Police Cruiser	7,500.00
Future Reappraisal of Real Estate	1.00
Future Purchase or Improvement of Recreation Lands	5,000.00
Future Town Building Improvements/Acquisition	25,000.00

Future Town Road Improvements	1.00
Future Improvement of Cemetery	5,000.00
Future Library Building	10,000.00
or take any other action relating thereto;	
Seconded by Clayton Philbrick	
Article 3 Carried	

Article 4.

Motion made by Paul St. Cyr to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand, One Hundred Twenty-Four Dollars, (\$5,124.00) to purchase and upgrade the town office computer system, add necessary software, including internet access to accommodate new tax assessing requirements, or take any other action relating thereto;
 Seconded by Edward Gagnon
 Article 4 Carried.

Article 5.

Motion made by Clayton Foote to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty-Seven Thousand, Nine Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$87,950.00) to pay for the complete reappraisal of real property as ordered by the Board of Tax and Land Appeals in their decision rendered in 2001, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of Sixty-One Thousand Dollars (\$61,000.00) from the Capital Reserve Fund entitled "Revaluation of Property", and the balance of Twenty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$26,950.00) to be raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;
 Seconded by Paul St. Cyr

Motion by Louis Wiederhold to Amend Article to read – to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty-Seven Thousand, Nine Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$87,950.00) to pay for the complete reappraisal of real property as ordered by the Board of Tax and Land Appeals in their decision rendered in 2001, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of Sixty-Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Eight Dollars and Eighty Six Cents (\$60,828.86) from the Capital Reserve Fund entitled "Revaluation of Property", and the balance of Twenty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$26,950.00) to be raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;
 Seconded by Scott Carbee
 Motion to amend Article 5 not carried.

Motion by Sandra Lowery to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty-Seven Thousand, Nine Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$87,950.00) to pay for the complete reappraisal of real property as ordered by the Board of Tax and Land Appeals in their decision rendered in 2001, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of Sixty-One Thousand Dollars (\$61,000.00) from the Capital Reserve Fund entitled "Revaluation of Property", and the balance of Twenty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$26,950.00) to be withdrawn from undesignated funds, or take any other action relating thereto;
 Seconded by David Connard.
 Motion to amend Article 5 carried.
 Article 5 carried as amended.

Article 6.

Motion made by Clayton Foote, Jr. to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Four Hundred Thirty Dollars (\$4,430.00) to purchase an in-car video

system for the Police Department, or take any other action relating thereto;
Seconded by Charles Eggert, Jr.
Article 6 carried.

Article 7.

Motion made by Scott Carbee to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to fund the Southwestern New Hampshire District Fire Mutual Aid System Capital Improvement Fund, such monies to be used to finance an engineering study of the current radio communication system, or take any other action relating thereto;
Seconded by Donald Abbott
Article 7 not carried.

Article 8.

Motion made by Clayton Foote, Jr. to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00) for the purpose of purchasing a new road rake, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of Six Thousand (\$6,000.00) from the Capital Reserve Fund entitled "Purchase of Road Equipment", or take any other action relating thereto;
Seconded by Benjamin Watson
Article 8 carried.

Article 9.

Motion made by Clayton Foote, Jr. to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000.00) to construct a new highway garage, fire suppression pond, and other supporting facilities as funding allows; such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of One Hundred Sixty-One Thousand Dollars (\$161,000.00) from the Capital Reserve Fund entitled " Highway Building", One Hundred Thirty-Nine Thousand Dollars (\$139,000.00) from the undesignated General Fund balance, and One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) to be raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;
Seconded by Edward Gagnon

Motion made by Harold Varnum to recess the Town Meeting at the close of business today to consider Articles 9 & 17, recessed meeting to take place on Saturday May 4, 2002 at 10:00 AM at the town hall and further if Article 9 does not pass we move to reconsider Article 2 for the purpose of adding the sum of \$100,000.00 to a new account 5319-69, Road Construction, to continue the reconstruction of the Second New Hampshire Turnpike, South, or take any other action relating thereto;
Seconded by Charles Eggert, Jr.

Motion made by Abigail Arnold to amend Mr. Varnum's motion to recess, Ms. Arnold moves to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000.00 for the purchase of a 100 ft. X 60 ft/ steel building and related improvements thereto, such sum to be raised by taxation and move to recess this Town Meeting at the close of business today to consider Articles 9 & 17, such recessed meeting to take place on Saturday, May 4, 2002 at 10:00 AM, at the Town Hall and further should Article 9 not pass at that recessed meeting, I move to reconsider Article 2 for the purpose of adding the sum of \$100,000.00 to a new account 5312-69, designated Road Construction, to continue the reconstruction of the Second New Hampshire Turnpike, South, or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Gary Schnakenburg

Motion to amend carried.

Motion made by Harold Varnum to recess as amended to raise & appropriate the sum of \$100,000.00 for the purchase of a 100 ft. X 60 ft. steel building and related improvements. Such sums to be raised by taxation and to recess this Town Meeting after close of business today to consider Article 9 & 17, such recessed meeting to take place on Saturday May 4, 2002 at 10:00 AM at the Town Hall and, further if Article 9 not pass move to reconsider Article 2 for the purpose of adding the sum of \$100,000.00 to a new account 5312-69 titled Road Construction, to continue the reconstruction of the said New Hampshire Turnpike Road south or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Charles Eggert, Jr..

Motion as amended carried by a show of hands, Yes 71 No 34.

Motion made by Abigail Arnold to reconsider Article 3.

Seconded by Herbert Bromberg

Motion to reconsider Article 3 withdrawn by Abigail Arnold.

Article 10.

Motion made by Clayton Foote, Jr. to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fourteen Thousand Dollars (\$14,000.00) to purchase a Medtronic Physio-Control Lifepak 12 series defibrillator/monitor for the Fire Department, such sum to be funded by a gift of Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000.00) from the Mount Crotchet Firefighters Association and the balance of Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000.00) to be raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by O. Alan Thulander

Article 10 carried.

Article 11.

Motion made by Clayton Foote, Jr. to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9,000.00) to pay for needed building repairs to the Fire Department building, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9,000.00) from the Capital Reserve Fund entitled "Town Building Improvements", or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Mark Pitman

Article 11 carried.

Article 12.

Motion made by O. Alan Thulander to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum up to Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) to purchase a used pick-up truck and/or a used six-wheel dump truck to replace existing vehicles no longer road worthy, such funds to be withdrawn from the Capital Reserve account entitled "Purchase of Road Equipment", or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Clayton Foote, Jr.

Motion made by O. Alan Thulander to amend Article 12 to insert the words "or ten wheel" between six wheel and dump truck.

Seconded by Clayton Foote.

Article to read as follows, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum up to

Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) to purchase a used pick-up truck and/or a used six or ten wheel dump truck to replace existing vehicles no longer road worthy, such funds to be withdrawn from the Capital Reserve account entitled "Purchase of road Equipment", or take any other action relating thereto;
Seconded by Clayton Foote, Jr.
Article 12 as amended carried.

Article 13.

Motion made by O. Alan Thulander to see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Capital Reserve account entitled "Future Landfill Closing" created in 1989 to finance the closing of the tri-town landfill in Bennington, and transfer any remaining balance to the General Fund, or take any other action relating thereto;
Seconded by Clayton Foote, Jr.
Article 13 carried.

Article 14.

Motion made by Clayton Foote, Jr. to see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 41:14-a, which permits the Selectmen to acquire or sell land, buildings or both, but only after securing the advice of the Conservation Commission and Planning Board, and holding two (2) public hearings. Said authority shall not include conservation land which is managed by the Conservation Commission, Town forests, or any real estate which has been given to the Town for charitable or community purposes, or take any other action relating thereto;
Seconded by Lawrence Johnson

Motion made by O. Alan Thulander to amend Article 14 to see if the town will adopt the provisions of RSA 41:14-a, which permits the Selectmen to acquire or sell land, buildings or both, but only after securing the advice of the Conservation Commission and Planning Board, and holding two (2) public hearings adhering to the public notice requirement as stated in RSA 675:71. Said authority shall not include conservation land which is managed by the Conservation Commission, Town forests, or any real estate which has been given to the Town for charitable or community purposes, or take any other action relating thereto;
Seconded by Paul St. Cyr.
Article 14 to amend carried.

Article 14 as amended to see if the town will adopt the provisions of RSA 41:14-a, which permits the Selectmen to acquire or sell land, buildings or both, but only after securing the advice of the Conservation Commission and Planning Board, and holding two (2) public hearings adhering to the public notice requirement as stated in RSA 675:71. Said authority shall not include conservation land which is managed by the Conservation Commission, Town forests, or any real estate which has been given to the Town for charitable or community purposes, or take any other action relating thereto;
Article 14 as amended carried.

Article 15.

Motion made by Clayton Foote, Jr. to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00) to be placed in the Conservation Fund as authorized by RSA 36-A:5, or take any other action relating thereto;
Seconded by David Jonas.
Article 15 carried.

Article 16.

Motion made by Charles O'Neil to transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting;

Seconded by O. Alan Thulander

Motion to adjourn and seconded. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 3:54 PM.

A true copy of record-Attest:

Elaine T. McClary

Elaine T. McClary

Town Clerk

RECESSED TOWN MEETING OF MARCH 16, 2002
MAY 4, 2002

Recessed Town Meeting of March 16, 2002 opened at 10:00 A.M.

(Purpose of recessed Town Meeting was to take up the following)

Motion made by Harold Varnum to raise & appropriate the sum of \$100,000.00 for the purchase of a 100 ft. X 60 ft. steel building and related improvements. Such sums to be raised by taxation and to recess this Town Meeting after close of business today to consider Article 9 & 17, such recessed meeting to take place on Saturday May 4, 2002 at 10:00 AM at the Town Hall and, further if Article 9 not pass move to reconsider Article 2 for the purpose of adding the sum of \$100,000.00 to a new account 5312-69 titled Road Construction, to continue the reconstruction of the said New Hampshire Turnpike Road south or take any other action relating thereto;

Seconded by Charles Eggert, Jr..

Motion as amended carried by a show of hands, Yes 71 No 34.

Motion by Harold Varnum moved to reconsider Article 9 as amended to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) for the purchase of a 100 ft. by 60 ft. steel building and related improvements; such sum to be raised by taxation, and to recess this Town Meeting after the close of business today to consider Articles 9 and 17, such recessed meeting to take place on Saturday, May 4, 2002 at 10:00 A.M. at the Town Hall; and further if Article nine not pass, move to reconsider Article two for the purpose of adding the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) to a new account 5312-69, titled "Road Construction", to continue the reconstruction of the second New Hampshire Turnpike, south, or take any other action thereto;

Seconded by Abigail Arnold. (No vote taken),

Further motion by Harold Varnum to rescind Article 9 as amended.

Seconded by Louis Wiederhold.

Motion to rescind Article 9 as amended carried.

Article 9.

Motion by Clayton Foote, Jr. to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000.00) to construct a new highway garage, fire suppression pond, and other supporting facilities as funding allows; such sums to be raised by the withdrawal of One Hundred Sixty One Thousand Dollars (\$161,000.00) from the capital reserve fund entitled "Highway Building", One Hundred Thirty Nine Thousand Dollars (\$139,000.00) from the undesignated general fund balance, and One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) to be raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto.

Seconded by Edward Gagnon.

Article 9 Carried.

Article 17.

Motion by O. Alan Thulander to see if the Town will vote to suspend the competitive bidding floor rule as it may apply to the construction of the proposed highway garage

project, or take any other action relating thereto;
Seconded by Paul St. Cyr.

Motion by O. Alan Thulander that Article 17 be amended to read that the competitive bidding floor rule as it may apply to the purchase of the General Steel Building with its component parts, F.O.B., job, etc.

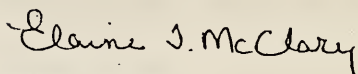
Seconded by Paul St. Cyr.

Motion to amend carried.

Article 17 as amended carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:09 A.M.

A true copy of record - Attest.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Elaine T. McClary".

Elaine T. McClary
Town Clerk

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